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Town Budget Reflects Hike Of 5.2 Percent

by Kathy Cassanelli News Editor

Mayor Christopher C. Johnson presented his spending plan for the next fiscal year to Town Council at a budget workshop held on Monday, June 13th.

The \$38,378,068 in funding requests reflects an overall increase in spending of \$1,859,824 over last year.

However, Johnson said the 5.2 percent increase over spending from fiscal 1994 was deceiving because some of the causes for the increase did not exist in the 1994 budget. Factoring out one time capitol expenditures as well as the new municipal golf course budget, and the one time appropriation of an insurance premium refund to the Stabilization Fund, results in an actual increase over fiscal 1994 spending of 3.25 percent, according to the budget documentation prepared by the Mayor.

Reduction In State Aid

While local aid from the state is up \$559,302 from last year, the \$9,383,870 for 1995 is a reduction of nearly \$1.25 million in local aid from what the town received in 1989.

Without an override of Proposition 2½, an increase in fees, or a reduction in services provided to the town, Johnson has included funding for several one time capitol expenditures. These include two new computer systems as well as new vehicles for the Police and Fire Departments.

Johnson is proposing to purchase a state-ofthe-art computer system for Town Hall and the

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Mayor Optimistic Golf Course Is On Right Track

by Kathy Cassanelli News Editor

After less than two months in operation, the municipally owned Agawam Country Club has taken in about 65 percent of the revenues originally projected for the months of April, May, and June, according to figures submitted to Town Council at its June 6th meeting.

Mayor Christopher C. Johnson predicted that if the receipts for the month of June keep pace with the revenue generated in the month of May, the course will end fiscal year 1994 with \$26,000 more in income than was originally projected.

In a letter to the council, Johnson acknowledged that actual receipts for the month of June will depend on weather conditions. "It is fair to say that the income generated by the course is above projections at this point."

On the expense side, of the \$159.245 budgeted to operate the course for Fiscal Year 1994 \$63,340.64 (about 40 percent of the budget) had been spent through the end of May.

LONGTIME AGAWAM LIONS CLUB members who were honored at the recent 50th Anniversary Banquet were Vincent Gallerani, Norman Roberts, and John Carlson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Lions Club Celebrates 50th Year Of Serving Town

by Holly Pevzner Advertiser News Staff

One of the world's main staples of public service has been the International Association of Lions Clubs. The Lions have been helping communities all around the world for 77 years and here in Agawam for 50 years this past May. This organization began in Chicago, Illinois in 1917. At that time, a group of business and profes-

At that time, a group of business and professional men came together to promote civic improvement, education, and health awareness. Although the Lions Club has changed over the years, it holds true to its commitment to help those in need.

120 Current Members
In May 1944, 85 of Agawam's finest men set forth the town's first service club; the Agawam Lions Club. Today, Agawam boasts "one of the largest (organizations) in the area," according to

43-year member Paul Tatro. There are approximately 120 current members.

Although Agawam's present membership includes solely males, a few years ago the International Association extended membership to females as well.

In order to be invited to join the Agawam Lions, one must possess an "idealism" and feel the need to serve their community. The one great benefit of joining is "feeling good about doing good," according to Tatro. One of the main purposes of the Agawam Lions Club is "their dedication to sight conservation."

This goal originated back in 1920 when Helen Keller spoke to a Lions Club asking for support.

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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

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School Department. At a cost of \$117,750 for the software, training, conversion costs, and hard-ware, Johnson is seeking to replace the town's ar-chaic computer system with a PC based computer network.

In detailing the advantages of the new system and the inadequacies of the present system, Johnson compared the two systems to driving a Mercedes Benz as compared to driving a Model-T with two flat tires.

An updated computerized records keeping system was included in the \$2,349,367 set aside to run the Police Department for the next year. According to the Mayor, the \$34,500 included in the police budget will pay for the hardware. Town Council will consider a transfer of \$23,000 to purchase the software at its next meeting.

Allow Officers Instant Access
Police Chief Robert Campbell said the system would allow officers on the street instant access to information when responding to calls. The new system would perform searches by name or by address to determine if there were outstanding warrants, prior arrests, or gun permits.

Campbell said with the computer system, he would be able to conduct scientific studies to determine manpower needs rather than using guesswork. Campbell said it would take about 10 months for the system to be up and running and for personnel to be properly trained on the system.

In addition to the computer system, the Police Department budget includes funding for five new cruisers to replace vehicles with 100,000 miles of

Budgeted at \$2,071,590 to maintain present staffing, the Fire Department is slated to receive a four-wheel drive vehicle for use by emergency medical services as well as inspection and fire prevention services. Two-thirds of the cost of the vehicle (\$14,667) will come out of the Fire Department budget, with the remaining third to be paid out of ambulance fees.

Town Auditor/Accountant Carol Taylor as well as several department heads were at the Mayor's side to answer questions from councilors. Johnson took the councilors line item by line item through half of the 31 cost centers comprising the town's budget.

Town Council will consider the rest of the budget at its regular meeting on June 20th. There will be a public hearing on Monday, June 27th at 7:30 p.m. in the Middle School auditorium to consider adopting the budget.

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A Learning Experience

Johnson said running the course was a learning experience for the town with some expenses higher than expected and some lower than expected. Johnson said he hoped to be \$10,000 to \$15,000 below the expenditures predicted for the months of April, May, and June.

When the golf shop and food operations are on

line, expenses would be higher, but income would

also increase, Johnson said.
In preparing the budget for the operation of the course in Fiscal Year 1995, Johnson said he was basing his predictions by using the same formula used in preparing the present budget with 25,000 rounds of golf expected. Income from the food and beverage service would be figured at \$3 per round of golf.

At the end of the season, Johnson said he expects to return \$75,000 of the \$150,000 borrowed from the town's stabilization fund for capitol improvements at the course. As of May 31st, \$23,000

had been spent on improvements. Johnson said a payment of \$23,000 due in September on a bond anticipation note would be paid from the golf course enterprise fund. Permanent bonding for the \$1.25 million purchase price of the course would likely be delayed until it could be grouped with other bond issues in order to save on closing costs, he said.

While answering the council's questions on the operation of the course, Johnson took the oppor-tunity to discuss what he called the three main fallacies held by the public concerning the course.

Johnson refuted the notion that local property taxes went up due to the town's purchase of the course. "To date, we have paid zero," Johnson said. "Taxes in no way went up because of the golf course.

Street Sweeping Taking Longer

Johnson said the reason the streets are taking longer to be swept of sand was due to an increase of 60 percent in the amount of sand used during the winter. Johnson said the streets were being swept by the DPW and by a private contractor and he expected the job to be completed by July 1st. In no way is the golf course responsible for the delay, he noted.

Johnson said the upkeep of the golf course grounds has no effect on the condition of the town's soccer and baseball fields because the golf course has its own grounds crew.

Johnson said the soccer field at the Junior High cannot be mowed until the ground dries out and he added that the town is responsible to line the soccer fields in the fall, but the Agawam Soccer Association is responsible for lining fields in the

As of May 31st, the course had taken in a total of \$112,814.83 of the \$163,146.00 projected for an expected 8,000 rounds of golf. Greens fees have generated \$42,229.85; memberships, \$26,160; cart rentals, \$19,225.47; and food and beverage, \$15,920.69.

Sponsorships, pull cart rentals, tax, and miscellaneous expenses made up the rest of the income to date, he said.

Meeting Set On Town's Priorities

The Town of Agawam will be holding a public meeting on June 21st at the Faolin Peirce Community Room, 681 Springfield Street, at 7:00 p.m. the put to present Agawam's Community Action State-

The Community Action Statement (CAS) is a locally-produced, planning and program administration tool designed to assist local policy makers in evaluating municipal needs and setting priorities. It is a three-year action plan that communities also file with the Executive Office of Communities and Development in order to be eligible for most of the assistance programs offered through the Division of Community Ser-

Mayor Johnson will be presenting the CAS to the public for review and comment. The CAS contains the specific needs as identifed by each of the administrative departments.

The CAS also contains a list of the five priority needs as identified by these departments. This list contains, among other critical needs, a new Department of Public Works garage, a new fire station, completion of Route 57, and methods for broadening the tax-base.

Public comment will be solicited on June 21st and will be included in the final CAS, which must be submitted to the Executive Office of Communities and Development by July 1st.



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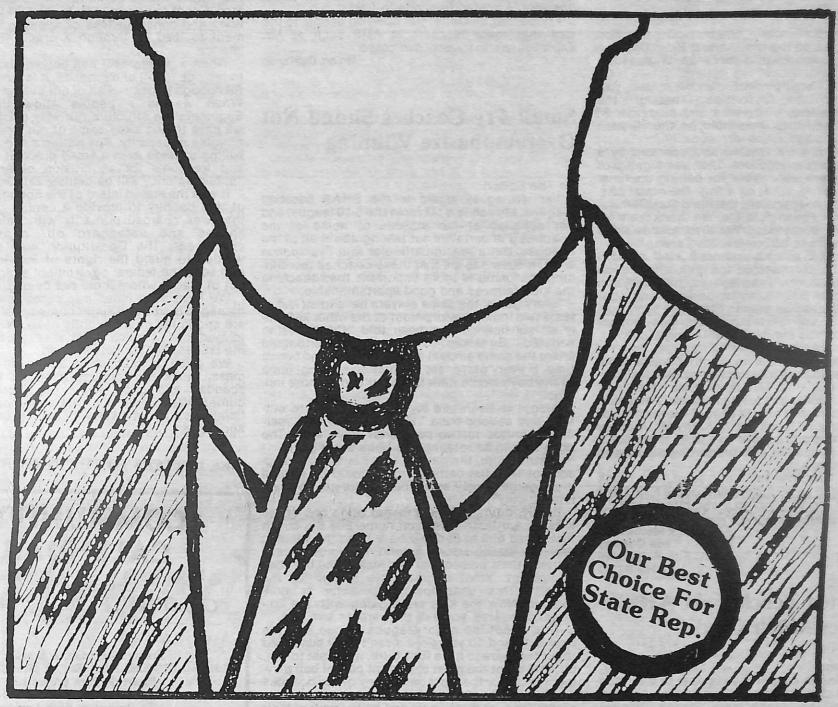
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- B.A. Business Administration/Economics, St. Anselm College.
- · Graduate Southwick School System.

PERSONAL

- Age 33.
- Married (His Wife, Jill, Is A Local Teacher).

EXPERIENCE

- 1984-87: Department Of Revenue Tax Auditor.
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- 1990-Present: Attorney With The Law Firm Of Arvanitis, Phelan, & Molta

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Letters To The Editor

Agawam High Receives Big Kudos For Carnival

To The Editor:
The Parent Teacher Student Organization (PTSO) sponsored the first Annual Field Day/Carnival at Agawam High School on Wednesday,

Freshmen, sophomores, and juniors participated in the festivities. Through the cooperative efforts of parents and students, 30 events and activities were held on the Harmon Smith Field for the entire afternoon.

All activities were created and operated by a group of volunteer students. That same group of volunteers were responsible for setting up, running, dismantling, and cleaning their stations. Without their cooperation, the Field Day/Carnival would not have been possible. We thank them for making it so successful! We also acknowledge Pat Bertone-Gross as our teacher-liason.

Frank Godek and his cafeteria staff at AHS must also be commended for their efficient efforts. A picnic lunch was prepared, delivered, and served to over 600 students, parents, and staff from the concession stand. They also served an ice cream snack following lunch. One teacher commented, "It's the best deal in town!

The atmosphere lent itself to a great time for teachers and students alike. Another teacher added, "We should have more activities like this planned for the students. This is what we need.

The PTSO would like to thank parents and staff for all their time and efforts toward the success of the day. A special thank you to Kathy McSweeney for going above and beyond to supply much needed athletic equipment and supporting our idea to rekindle school spirit.

And last, but certainly not least, we thank "Pele" Furtado for all his support of the PTSO and "Pele" Furtago for all line support of this a reality! his belief in the students to make this a reality!

Sincerely,

Nancy Melbourne Iris Copson Sue Pettazzoni **AHS PTSO**

Dedicated Teacher At AHS Deserves Much Credit

To The Editor:

I am writing this letter to the paper to call attention to the dedication of a teacher at Agawam

High School. This teacher is Mr. Joseph Zabielski.
Mr. Zabielski teaches three high ability and two
advanced placement United States History classes, along with a philosophy class. All year, we AP students have been thoroughly studying our nation's history since the 1600's to obtain complete knowledge for the AP test. This AP test is a college equivalent exam that if a decent score is obtained, one might receive college credit in the future.

We were basically putting our future into his hands. Time became a huge factor. With all the bad weather, we students planning to take the AP

test in May were forced to move at an incredible

Since we had lost so much time, we were forced into after-school classes. This is what my letter is pointing to. Mr. Zabielski stayed after every Monday from March through May for two hours to help us get our knowledge up to the 1970's, since we only reached the late 1930's during regular class

Mr. Zabielski put a lot of effort into making sure that we were extremely prepared for this three-hour long exam, and he took his free time and

time that he was not getting paid for to do this.

By taking his free time and putting it into our studies, Mr. Zabielski was not rewarded with prizes or gifts or a bigger salary. Instead, average AP exam grades have risen from a two to a 3½ (the test is graded from one to five).

I hope that this letter will open up people to the fact that many teachers at AHS such as Mr. Zabielski are extremely dedicated.

Brian DeNardo

Small Fry Coaches Shoud Not Overemphasize Winning

To The Editor:

I'm writing in regard to the SHAA baseball leagues. My son is a player in the 8-10 league, and I'm appalled at the attitude of some of the coaches (I'm certainly not talking about all of the coaches, but a few in particular that I've spoken with). It seems to me that these coaches feel winning the game is more important than teaching the kids fairness and good sportsmanship.

Every game, the same players have to sit out at least two innings, while most of the other kids paly all six innings (I've been told "they're being scouted." By whom?). I feel every player should share the same amount of playing time and bench time. If every player sat out just one inning, none of the boys would have to sit out two or more inn-

ings.
Also, I've been told my son is "limited to outfield and second base." How is it that an 8 yearold is limited to two positions? Says who? The

boys should be rotating positions every game. Furthermore, the batting order is never changed. I believe the batting order should be rotated every game as well so all the players get an equal time at bat.

Lastly, during a recent game, when one of the kids on our team didn't run home like the coach instructed him to (it could have been the winning run), the coach swung around, exlaimed "Jesus Christ," then walked over and kicked the baseball equipment. What a great role model for the boys!!! This unacceptable behavior is contagious. Now the kids are arguing with the um-

ragious. Now the kius are arguing with the unpires (of course, some of the parents are, too).

This is not the major leagues. These kids are only 8, 9, and 10 years-old. Aren't they supposed to be out there to have fun? Sure, it's great to win, but that's not the most important part of ball playing. I know for the most part, many of the coaches are fair. I've been involved in Agawam sports programs for over three years and have admired their coaching techniques. Afterall, we all want what's best for our children, don't we?

I don't like to criticize these coaches who are generous enough to volunteer so much of their time and energy to the kids (I've already spoken to both coaches privately in a constructive manner to no avail). If we're going to teach our kids how to play ball, let's do it fairly and with good sportsmanship. WINNING IS **NOT** EVERYTHING!!!

Laurie Lyman Feeding Hills

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Who's In Charge Here?! **Government Out Of Control**

During these times of government by federal mandate, the good citizens of this country have abrogated their rights, responsibilities, and unfortunately, some of their guaranteed but often taken for granted freedoms.

We have allowed the federal government to obliterate the lines of distinction between individual rights, states rights, and Constitutional rule by federal officials.

We have become so complacent in our acceptance of wonderful surrounding programs from the "Don't worry, we know what's best for you" crowd, that few of us stop to think of the implications and consequences of allowing the government to lead us through a cradle to grave existence.

When a government has become large enough to provide for all of our needs, it is already powerful enough to deny us all of our guaranteed rights. When we as a people allow the "Social Engineers" to structure our very existence, then we have traded away some of our freedoms for a promise of security. Any nation's people who are willing to trade even a small piece of their rights and freedoms for an illusion of security and "public safety," will be neither safe nor free.

It was the stated intent of the Founding Fathers

of this country to provide a central government that was charged primarily with defending our shores and safeguard our constitutional guarantees. The Constitution was specifically worded to guard the rights of individual states and keep the federal government's big dirty nose out of places where it did not belong.

We have been fulled into complacency by the managed media and sugar coated pablum that we are spoon fed on the nightly news. We are misinformed, not so much by what is reported, but by

the issues that are not reported.

We gripe in indignation at the Rostenkowski mess, cluck our tongues over the Whitewater scandal, and gripe about our increasing tax burden. We wonder out loud as to how these officials dare to get away with such abuse of office and power.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Monday, June 20th Agawam-W. Spfld. La Leche League At Grace Lutheran Church, W. Spfld. 7:30 p.m. For more information, call 734-5922

Tuesday, June 21st Agawam Junior Women's Club's "Pot Luck Dinner," with entertainment & meeting to follow At Captain Leonard House, Main St. 6:30 p.m.: Dinner 7:00 p.m.: Entertainment - 'Dawn Sweet' 8:00 p.m.: June Meeting

Monday, June 27th Agawam/F. Hills AARP meeting At Agawam Senior Center 7:00 p.m.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR - from Page 4...

We don't have to look too far to find the root cause of most of these problems. The elected officials and the army of bureaucrats they appoint, expand their power base and exceed the written Constitutional boundaries as casually and with less concern as they would have exceeding the 55 mph speed limit. It is our fault.

It is at the local level that we have provided the training ground for political pandering, bribes, corruption, and total disregard for the written rules. Constitutionality at the national level and charter compliance at the local level seem to be used by administrations only when it suits their own purpose. The administrations ignore the written charters or complain about "archaic" rules when their pet agendas need to get passed or when an issue that endangers their own personal agenda is in danger of being passed.

agenda is in danger of being passed.

What's good for the goose is good for the gander. You can't have it both ways. Elected officials must be made to realize that they are supposed to serve the public that elected them and do so within the boundaries of the written charter guidelines that delineate their authority and the procedures that need to be followed.

The constant use of the "emergency preamble" seems to be unwarranted, especially here in Agawam. Is it possible that this is used to prevent the legally and duly elected council from having enough time in advance to study all of the complexities of an issue? In recent years, this "emergency" tactic has been used too often. The "emergency preamble" is supposed to be used to speed an item to the agenda, when

The "emergency preamble" is supposed to be used to speed an item to the agenda, when something endangers the health, welfare, or safety of the people and only under those three conditions

I don't always read every inch of the newspaper every single day, and I will admit to missing the nightly news on a few occasions, however, I'm sure that had there been a flood, hurricane, tornado, disastrous fire, chemical spill, civil insurrection, disease epidemic, or nucleur meltdown here in Agawam, I would have heard about it.

I support the acquisition of the municipal golf course and have no objection to applying for the grant for an irrigation system, once the Conservation Commission has held a public hearing, approved the application and sent all of the relative information to the council for their final approval. This is the procedure required not only by the grant but by our Charter.

My concern with this issue is the procedure

which has been used to stampede our duly elected representatives into voting on important issues, with no time to really thrash out all of the details and consequences.

I am a rather trusting soul, but I am having a hard time with a couple of issues here. I find it hard to believe that this competent and able administration just found out about this grant. I am deeply disturbed that our chief executive would have so little regard for the Town's Charter to utter the remarks as were printed in the newspaper. During his term on the council and his tenure as mayor, he has never objected to the use of the parliamentary maneuver of "Charter Objection." Why now all of a sudden is this an "archaic" rule? How come, as he is quoted, does he not care what the council does or the Charter mandates?

If the Charter is truly "archaic," it is up to the

If the Charter is truly "archaic," it is up to the voters to amend it by referendum, it is not up to the sitting administrator to follow or ignore it as he or she sees fit.

If we are going to amend the charter, then we should probably do as the city of Springfield did and add the framework for the recall of elected officials who either through incompetence or malfeasance deserve to be removed from office before they can do any more harm than they have already done. This is an idea that no honest and competent public official should fear or object to.

While our halls of government are buzzing with "Charter Fever," I am waiting for one of our elected officials to bring this idea forward.

Our town is really a good example of what has gone on at the national level, except the issues are not global, but are of high impact locally.

Agawam was, is, and hopefully, will continue to

Agawam was, is, and hopefully, will continue to be a great place to live, work, and raise our families. The good, hard working, overburdened taxpayers of Agawam deserve a government with more candor and true representation of the wishes of the citizens.

Get involved yourself! Call your councilors, scool committee members, your mayor, and any other officials who you have placed into office. Present YOUR views on the issues and remind them of all those great election year promises and commitments that they made to earn your vote.

If you are not satisfield with the results you are getting, find someone of strong character and persuade them to run for office or better still, run yourself! If you wish to preserve not only the character of our town and its historic neighborhoods, but the very integrity of our governmental process, you can not simply "let someone else do it." If you do not, as a citizen, take

an active role in plotting the course of your own government, then don't complain when it arrives at a destination that you don't like. If you don't know where you are headed, then you definitely won't be pleased at where you find yourself at the end of the journey.

Sincerely, Kent P. Servis Feeding Hills

Trees Are Critical For The Betterment Of Us All

To The Editor: Dear Friends:

In my daily walks along nearby streets, I am particularly pleased with the long rows of magnificent tall trees lining some streets, especially in the Federal Hill section. The trees are valuable to all of us for all these reasons:

1. They are essential for producing oxygen and basic starch through the partnership of the seed and given leaf. The oxygen feeds us and the starch is the source of all the food on Earth. Besides, the trees eat carbon dioxide that we breathe out and that pours out of our trucks and autos. Actually, motor vehicles give out carbon monoxide which eats oxygen, which is shameful. That is why it is a favorite way of committing suicide.

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7. Forests protect fisheries in rivers, lakes, and coastal waters. Especially old-growth forests.

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storms, extreme temperatures.

9. Recreation - The U.S. Forest Service says forests are more valuable for fish, wildlife, and other outdoor activities than timber, grazing, min-

ing, etc.
Biologists recommend composting the base of old trees with shredded fall leaves, grass clippings, and composted "waste" food or soil. This protects the health of trees, many of which live 300 years or more.

Several places in the Federal Hill area, including Federal Street and Fairview Street, grow attractive flower beds on this humas.

Very Sincerely, Rudolph H. Stowe Agawam

P.S. Never take your trees for granted.

Agawam High School Carnival Indeed A Memorable Day

To The Editor:

Oh, what a day it was! June 8th, 1994 was the date. Agawam High School held their first carnival. The P.T.S.O. sponsored the event, but the STUDENTS came up with the events. The students prepared and manned the stations

where the events were played.

This was a GREAT success despite some negativism I had experienced beforehand. The entire school participated in the day, a day full of clean fun. Teachers, for the most part, loved the day also. Mr. Furtado joined into a game of soccer with students; after scoring two goals on them, he was asked to leave and he did so at their request. Other students even started a game of DUCK, DUCK, GOOSE on their own.

Once again these students have been a WONDERFUL group of people to spend a day with. The students were well-behaved, and the staff and adults had NO PROBLEMS WITH ANYONE! In today's day, you hear so many complaints about our teenagers of the world. I would like this town to know that here in Agawam we like this town to know that here in Agawam, we have a rare set of teenagers—a group of teenagers that can show key qualities (for example, being respectful to all).

These students should be told THANK YOU for being GOOD PEOPLE! With students that are positive examples, we as a town should be making sure this continues. In closing, I would like to thank all the people of this town that made it possible ... starting from the principal to the lunch staff, park and recreation, athletic department, parents, teachers, stuadies, Dunkin' Donuts, and

anyone else that helped in any way.

I, as a parent, P.T.S.O. co-chair, and a member of this community, am looking forward to the next time we can spend time with "OUR FUTURE AGAWAM."

Sincerely, Joann M. McGeoghan Feeding Hills

Town Officials Blasted By Mother Of Walkers

To The Editor:

My children will be considered "walker students" this fall to Granger Elementary School. They are five and seven years young; but they will

not be walking to school.

I find it extremely frustrating and disturbing, the lack of concern for the safety of the elementary aged children who are expected to walk up to one and a half miles to and from school. Yes, I realize that many people 15 to 20-plus years ago found no problem with walking three miles a day in what

was then a very rural farm community.

Well, it's not 1974 any more and our town, rather, the City of Agawam, is not the safe walking commute that Mayor Johnson, Donald Charest (Associate Superintendent of Schools), and Linda Galarneau (Vice-Chair, School Committee) would

readily patronize parents to believe. I find it insulting coming from our Mayor and school officials that, "The problem with parents today is that they pamper and baby their kids too

Excuse me, but we are talking about children ages five through 10 years young, not high school

I wonder if Mayor Johnson will have the same cold, non-concerning, patronizing response to his wife someday when their first child is expected to walk that unassisted one and a half miles to Granger Elementary School, crossing streets and passing the driveways of the animal hospital, fire station, Q-Lube, bottle redemption store, nursery, vegetable stand, Stop & Shop, Westbank, vacant pharmacy, and gas station.

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And I wonder, is he going to say to his wife, "Junior is now five years old, stop pampering him and besides, there is just no money in the town budget for the safety of walkers. I would have to

cut something from the budget. Maybe the golf course sprinkler system ... no, that's important!"
This may sound a little ridiculous, but I feel that Mayor Johnson, Mr. Charest, Mrs. Galarneau, and possibly other school officials are a bit out of touch. Since none of them, presently, have children of their own in elementary school and may not realize that there have been studies done proving that not all elementary school children have developed the capacity to judge when it is safe to cross a street or walk through a busy gas

On the other hand, I commend the very competent bus drivers who always transport the elementary school children (who live more than one and a half miles from their school) safely to and from school in rain, sleet, snow, and ice within the heated comfort of almost door-to-door bus service. Some towns transport all of their elementary

Mayor Johnson is looking into bus transporta-tion for all children. But if you live less than one and a half miles from the school, it could cost \$1 to \$2 per day. Silly me, I thought my taxes were used for things like busses and street lights (that's a whole other concern).

Mayor Johnson, Mr. Charest, and Mrs. Galarneau have been invited to walk this before and after school survival course, but to date, have not accepted the challenge.

Mr. Charest feels that, presently, there is no traffic safety problem during the after school

walker commute from Granger Elementary School. And that "changing the school's time schedule would only transfer the traffic problem from morning to afternoon."

I find this difficult to accurately assess from the secure comfort of my car. I wonder if Mr. Charest has monitored this morning and afternoon problem since the opening of the Super Stop & Shop last year?

last year?

Mrs. Galarneau stated to me, at a safety meeting, that "You baby your kids. You should give them more responsibility. You could be living in Springfield." Yes, I chose to live in this town, Agawam/Feeding Hills (11 years ago), and with that choice came a higher mortgage and tax bill. I believe she has forgotten that she is an **elected**

The principal at Granger Elementary told me at my son's kindergarten screening that, "It's not the school's responsibility to get these walkers safely to and from school, but it is the parents' job." She is also looking for parent volunteers to direct traffic in and out of school; since, the majority of these walkers do not risk their lives walking.

On a recent educational program informing parents about strangers, it was stated that the majority of child abductions take place when children are walking to or from school. I'm sorry, but I'd rather he a hit soutions then have my five but I'd rather be a bit cautious than have my five or seven year-old's picture on a milk carton.

Before we read the headline tragedy about a

child abducted or hit by a car in our ever-growing city, please take this issue seriously.

Sincerely concerned parent, Mrs. Kathy White Feeding Hills

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Fire Wise

by Fire Chief David Pisano **Awareness Is The Key To Overall Fire Safety**

Fire is a powerful and destructive force that most of us don't understand, but think we can survive. Home fires have become the second leading cause of accidental death, but there is a lot you can do to prevent and survive a fire in your home.

The key to fire prevention is awareness—by knowing how home fires start and what you can

do to eliminate them.

The leading cause of death from home fires is carelessness while smoking. If you are drowsy, taking strong medication, or consuming alcohol, postpone that cigarette until you're more alert. Use large metal or glass ashtrays, and make sure all smoking materials are extinguished before disposing of them.

Heating is the number one cause of home fires and second in fire deaths. Before the heating season starts, have your furnace checked by a professional to insure that it is operating safely. Make sure air filters are changed regularly, and that combustible materials aren't stored in the

furnace area.

If you use a solid fuel appliance (such as wood or coal) also have it inspected by a professional, and include cleaning and inspection of the chimney. Other portable heaters, like kerosene or electric space heaters, need care as well. Follow the manufacturers recommendations for cleaning and operation.

Another important area is the kitchen. Cooking is the third largest cause of fire deaths in the home and is probably one of the least reported fires. To keep cooking from being a hazard is to keep an eye on it. Many fires start when cooking is unattended while you're on the phone, watching television, or visiting with a friend.

If you're cooking, stay in the kitchen; if you're called away, turn off all burners. If you do have a fire in a pan on the stove ... put a lid on it, turn off the heat, and let the pot cook.

If the fire is in the oven or broiler, close the door and turn off the heat. Wait a few minutes before opening the door to make sure the fire is out. Also keep an ABC/multi-purpose extinguisher handy and learn how to use it.

Another major cause of home fires is defective appliances and overloaded circuits. When purchasing appliances, look for the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) label. Periodically check power cords for fraying, and replace if damaged.

If you use extension cords, make sure they are not run under carpets or over nails. Remember, extension cords should only be used temporarily. If you have problems with fuses or circuit breakers, it could be a sign that you have wiring problems.

Have them checked by a qualified electrician.

Protect your home from fire by becoming aware

of the high-hazard areas. The Agawam Fire Department has more information on home fire safety. Contact them at 786-2662.

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The Agawam Public Schools, Department of Special Services hereby notify individuals, who were formerly enrolled in special services in Agawam prior to July 1, 1989 that their special services records will be destroyed fourteen (14) days from the date of this publication. Anyone who wants their records must notify Agawam Special Services, 1305 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, Massachusetts 01030 in writing by July 1, 1994. After July 1, 1994 the records will be destroyed. Published: June 16, 1994

Reception Held For New Police Chief



A RECEPTION WAS HELD for new Police Chief Robert Campbell at the Agawam Police Station that was attended by support staff, police officers, and several Town Council members. IN TOP PHOTO, from left - Betty Malone (chief's secretary), the Police Chief. and Mrs. Robert Campbell. IN PHOTO BELOW, Chief Campbell chats with Town Councilor David Skolnick and Reverend Leonard Cowan, police chaplain. Advertiser News photos by Jack



Plans Pasta Supper

The committee to elect Dan Keenan State Representative announced recently that Dan Keenan will hold a Pasta & Meatball Dinner at the Polish American Club in Feeding Hills on Wednesday, June 22nd from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
The public is welcome. Tickets will be available

at the door. Cost for adults is \$5, senior citizens, \$3, and children under 12, \$3.

Dan Keenan looks forward to meeting with the residents of the Third Hampden District. He hopes to see your there, because meeting the voters' needs begins with meeting you.

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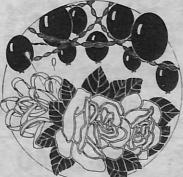
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Summer Storms Require Special **Driving Skills**

Motorists caught in a sudden summer thunderstorm will be safer if they learn and practice wetweather driving skills, reported the Automobile Club of Pioneer Valley.

"Knowing what to do is important because the odds of having a collision increase in wet weather," said Paul Higgs, Manager of Emergency Road Service. "A hard rain can limit visibility so that a driver can't see the edges of the road, traffic signs or other cars." fic signs, or other cars.

"Whether on vacation or running an errand, a driver who knows how to manage reduced visibility and slick pavement is more likely to stay in control," added Higgs

AAA of Pioneer Valley offers the following tips to help motorists navigate their way through wet

 Turn on windshield wipers as soon as rain begins to fall. If intermittent wipers are used, be certain they are set to a speed that will clear the windshield before visibility is compromised.

 If windows begin to fog, turn on the car's defroster.

 Use low-beam headlights to help other drivers see your car and increase visibility. Many states require headlight use in wet weather.

 Slow down and increase following distances. Speed limits are set for ideal road conditions. When it rains, visibility is reduced and braking distances increase.

Preventive maintenance also is important in reducing wet-weather driving risks. The Automobile Club of Pioneer Valley recommends the following equipment be inspected by a certified technician, especially before starting a long-distance drive; battery, ignition system, lights, brakes, tire pressure and tread wear; heating and cooling system, belts, hoses and defroster blower; windshield wipers and washer fluid reservoir

Additional information on wet weather driving is available free from the Automobile Club of Pioneer Valley by asking for the pamphlet "Get a Grip, Wet Weather Driving Techniques" by sending a stamped, self-addressed business size envelope to Auto Club of Pioneer Valley, Traffic Safety Dept., 150 Capital Drive, West Springtield, MA 01089-1351.

Please remember that our deadline is every Tuesday at noon. We do, however, appreciate those who bring in their copy on either Friday or Monday. Thanks. Please publicize your event at least one week in advance.



AGAWAM FIRE CHIEF DAVID PISANO (right) and Lieutenant Steve Martin place silver pins on Emergency Medical Technicians Joseph Giordano and Richard Weld during National Emergency Medical Week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Fire Department Honors EMT's During National Week

In recognition of National Emergency Medical Services Week, the Agawam Fire Department took the opportunity to honor its emergency medical technicians who have served on the ambulance

for 10 years or more.

Chief David Pisano stated, "These members have served on the ambulance in a dedicated and professional manner and are to be commended for the caring service they have provided to the

community over the years."

He continued, "I would like to offer a heartfelt 'thank you' to all of the department's EMT's. It is their commitment to the service that has earned high praise from our community and the surrounding medical community.

Each member with 10 years of service received a silver breast pin with the star of life and their name, with the year of service attached.

Among those members receiving the breast pins was Randal Cushing, the department's paramedic and advanced life support coordinator. He has served on the department's ambulance since the department took over the ambulance in

Also, EMT Richard Weld received his pin for service, also since 1978; EMT Kenneth Blair, service since 1979; EMT Joseph Giordano, service since 1982; EMT Robert Kerr, service since 1984; and EMT James Lancour, service since 1984.

Testimonial For State Rep. Planned For October

The Agawam Democratic Committee is pleased to announce that it will hold a testimonial to honor State Representative Michael P. Walsh. Representative Walsh has served the Third Hamp-den District for the past 12 years in the state legislature. He announced earlier this year that he would not seek reelection.

The testimonial will be held Thursday, October 20th at Chez Josef. Serving as co-chairs of the

event are Barbara Dunn, chairperson of the Agawam Democratic Committee, and Ronald A. Hebert, treasurer of the committee.

A host of state and local officials are expected to gather to honor Representative Walsh. As plans for the testimonial are finalized, the committee will provide further announcements for members of the public who are interested in attending.

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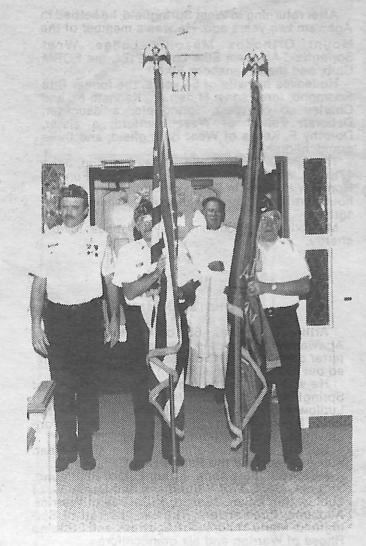


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D-Day Service Celebrated At St. John's Church



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH was the site for a memorial service on D-Day, Monday, June 6th. Above, an honor guard consisting of veterans Glenn Seymour, Jay O'Sullivan, and George Johnson lead the Reverend George Greenway into the church to begin the service. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PARTICIPATING IN THE D-DAY CEREMONIES at St. John's Church on June 6th included, from left - Priscilla Peterson, World War II veteran; Jessie D. Fuller, World War II veteran; Beverly Follis; Ruth Bitzas, Agawam Veteran's agent; Louis Russo, Agawam Veteran's Council; and Jerry Couture, chairman, Agawam Veteran's Council. Advertiser News

Heritage Hall Nursing Home Lists Several Volunteer Positions Open

The following volunteer positions are available at Heritage Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation

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Agawam Obituaries



Esther L. Affleck

Esther L. "Pat" (Eaton) Affleck, 73, of 100 South Park Terrace, Agawam, a leader in community and civic affairs, died in Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

She was a travel agent at Calypso Travel in West Springfield for six years until 1990. From 1942 to 1945, she was director of physical education at Friends Academy in Locust Valley, New

York. She was a founding member and officer of local groups including the Agawam Citizens Organization, Serving the People of Agawam Now, and the American Field Service of Agawam High School.

She served on the boards of Agawam Counseling Center, and the Agawam Youth Center, and was involved with the local YMCA. She received a Distinguished Service Award from the Agawam Jaycees in 1975.

She was a member of the Republic Town Committee, and was a delegate to the Republican

State Convention earlier this year. Born in Springfield, she was a 1938 graduate of the former Classical High School and received a bachelor of science degree in physical education in 1942 from Russell Sage College in Troy, New

She settled in Agawam in 1949, and was a member of Agawam Congregational Church. She was a summer resident of Westbrook, Connecticut, and a member of the Little Stannard Beach

Association there Her husband, G. Frederick Affleck, died in 1988. She leaves two sons, Theodore E. of Newington, Connecticut, and Kenneth C. of Tulsa, Oklahoma; a daughter, Susan E. Affleck-Childs of Danbury,

Connecticut, and four grandchildren.

A memorial service was held in the church.

Burial will be private in Stafford Springs Cemetery in Stafford Springs.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pat Affleck Memorial Fund, c/o Agawam Counseling Center, P.O. Box 84, Feeding Hills, 01030.

Mary R. Giordano

Mary R. "Betty" (LoGuidice) Giordano, 76, of 51 Williams Street, Feeding Hills, died in Mercy Hospital in Springfield. She was employed for 30 years at the former General Fiber Box of West Springfield (now Longview Fiber Box) and retired in ingfield (now Longview Fiber Box) and retired in

She was born in Middletown, Connecticut, and lived in the Agawam/Feeding Hills area for more than 55 years. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church and a member of the Agawam Senior Center.

Senior Center.
Her husband, Albert R. Giordano, died in 1978.
She leaves two sons, Robert J. and Roy A., both of Feeding Hills; a brother, Rosario of Middletown; four sisters, Carmelina Cannata, Helen Bousquet, and Gloria Tringali, all of Middletown, and Letecia Giordano of Feeding Hills; eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.
The funeral was held at Colonial Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made

Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, Massachusetts Affiliate Inc., 393 Maple Street, Springfield, MA 01105.

Bryant Albert

Bryant Albert, 52, of 77 Anderson Road, Chicopee, a 12-year shipper for Crouse-Hinds Aviation Lighting Company in Windsor, Connecticut, died at home. He was also a police officer in Boston for three years and in Springfield for four

Born in the Thompsonville section of Enfield, he lived in Springfield, Boston, Agawam, and Holyoke. He was a member of the Agawam Congregational Church and its choir.

He settled in Chicopee two years ago.

He leaves his wife, the former Betty L. Rivers; a son, Roy Rivers of South Hadley; a daughter, Virginia Nieves of Chicopee; his parents, Raymond and Elsie Albert of East Longmeadow; a sister, Geraldine A. Wilcox of San Carlos, California; and a granddaughter.

A private funeral was held at the convenience of the family. A memorial service will be held Sunday, June 19th, at the Agawam Congregational Church at 4:00 p.m. Agawam Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Hampshire County, P.O. Box 1087, Northampton, MA 01061.

Myron Follett

Myron Follett, 75, of 13e Mansion Woods, Agawam, died at Baystate Medical Center in Spr-

ingfield. He was a purchasing agent for the Greensboro, North Carolina Housing Authority for five years, and retired in 1979. He had been a office Supervisor for 38 years at the former Gilbert & Barker Co. in West Springfield.

Born in Springfield, he lived for many years in West Springfield, and was graduated from town schools. He returned to Springfield for 16 years, and lived in Greensboro from 1966 to 1980.

After returning to West Springfield, he settled in Agawam two years ago. He was a member of the Mount Orthodox Masonic Lodge, West Springfield-Agawam Elks Lodge 2174, the FORM Club, and the Greensboro Elks.

He leaves his wife of 54 years, the former Rita Redmond; three sons, Myron Jr., Kenneth F., and Charles J. of West Springfield; a daughter, Deborah Follett of West Hartford; a sister, Dorothy F. Keays of West Springfield; and three grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Friday morning, June 17th, at West Springfield Curran-Jones Funeral Home, with burial in Paucatuck Cemetery. Calling hours are Thursday afternoon and evening, June

Memorial contributions may be made to any

Arthur E. DeGray

Arthur E. DeGray, 65, of 49 Roberta Circle, Agawam, died at home. He was a retired 23-year letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service and work-

ed out of Springfield's Forest Park Station.

He was born in the Indian Orchard section of Springfield, and lived in the Indian Orchard and Ludlow areas for most of his life. He lived in the Three Rivers section of Palmer for 15 years before moving to Agawam earlier this year.

He was a Marine Corps veteran of the Korean

War and received the Purple Heart.

He leaves three sons, Arthur E. II of Richmond, Virginia, Mark D. of Wilbraham, and Daniel C. of Ludlow; his father, Joseph A. DeGray of Warrior, Alabama; three sisters, Theresa Narreau of Springfield, Marie Muldrew of Agawam, and Lorraine Rhose of Warrior; and six grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Ratell Funeral Home and in St. Alaysing Church with hurisless.

and in St. Aloysius Church, with burial in St. Aloysius Cemetery (all in Indian Orchard). Memorial contributions may be made to the Holyoke Visiting Nurses-Hospice Life Care, 330 Whitney Avenue, Holyoke 01040, or to the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney St., Boston

Virginia A. Pugh

Virginia A. (Turner) Pugh, 69, formerly of 93 B Pheasant Hill Drive, Feeding Hills, died in a local nursing home.

She was born in Springfield and moved to Feeding Hills 35 years ago. She was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church.

Her husband, Daniel R. Pugh, died in 1965.

She leaves two sons, Daniel B. of Medfield and Thomas R. of Ponca City, Oklahoma; a daughter,

Donna M. Byrne of Agawam; a brother, William of

Springfield; and five grandchildren.
The funeral was held in Colonial Funeral Home, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery.

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OBITUARIES - from Page 10...

Elena H. Thornton

Elena H. (Baruffaldi) Thornton, 83, formerly of 50 Hall Street, Feeding Hills, died in a Greenfield nursing home.

She worked at the Springfield Armory during World War II, and was a packager at J.H. Breck Co. in West Springfield for more than 20 years. She retired in 1973.

Born and schooled in West Springfield, she belonged to the 4-H Garden Club of West Springfield, the St. Anthony's Society, and the Town-

She moved to Feeding Hills in 1958, and was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church in Feeding

Her husband, the late Raymond C. Thornton,

died in 1979.

She leaves a son, Peter of Jensen Beach, Florida; a daughter, Mary Ellen Parsons of Greenfield; a brother, John of Lake Geneva, Florida; two grandchildren, and a great-grandson.

A graveside service will be conducted Saturday morning, June 18th, at Springfield Street Cemetery. There are no calling hours, and Agawam Curran-Jones Funeral Home is in

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children, 516 Carew Street, Springfield, MA 01104.

Carlo S. Torre

Carlo S. Torre, 69, of 527 Main Street, Springfield, died in Western Massachusetts Hospital in Westfeld.

He was in military service 41 years and served in the Navy, Air Force, and later the Air Force Reserves. During World War II, he served in the European theater, and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He later worked many years at Westover Air Force Base for the Department of

Defense as a hydraulic specialist.

He retired in 1983. Born in Enfield, he lived and Agawam and West Springfield before settling in

Springfield 10 years ago.

He was a member of the American Legion in Springfield and in Enfield, and the AmVets in Enfield. He was a former communicant of St. Patrick's Church in Enfield.

He legions his wife, the former Zoe Morris: a son.

Patrick's Church in Enfield.

He leaves his wife, the former Zoe Morris; a son, Mark of Agawam; six daughters, Karen Pare of Kissimmee, Florida, Diane Torre of Agawam, Lynn Murtha of Westfield, Andrea Mehl of Windsor, Lisa Torre of Westfield, and Regina Torre of West Springfield; four brothers, Anthony, Joseph, Angelo, and Rosario, all of Enfield; four sisters, Tina Falbo, Ida Torre, and Mary Sevarino, all of Enfield, and Vera Pace of Springfield, and four grandchildren. grandchildren.

The funeral was at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, West Springfield, and in the church, with burial in St. Patrick's Cemetery.



STATE REP. CANDIDATE GEORGE BIT ZAS (left) with District Attorney William Ben-

Bitzas Advocates Stronger Punishments For Criminals

George Bitzas, the State Representative candidate for the Third Hampden District, met with District Attorney William Bennett at his office in

the Hall of Justice in Springfield.

The District Attorney strongly supports Councilor Bitzas for State Representative. Bitzas said that he is a strong advocate for tougher crime laws, tougher punishments, and for putting violent criminals behind bars for the rest of their

"We need to put more police officers on the streets and construct more prison space. We also need to explore court reform to speed the process by which criminals are brought to justice and break the gridlock which now grips our judicial system," Bitzas concluded.

New England Stress Institute Presenting Program On "Customer Service" July 12th

The full-day program "Prolific Customer Service—Getting It Right!" will be offered on Tuesday, July 12th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the

Ramada Hotel in West Springfield. The program will be presented by Dr. Steven Sobel.

The program will benefit businesses and organizations that wish to identify and rectify barriers to true customer driven service (CDS) in both riers to true customer-driven service (CDS) in both the profit and non-profit environment. A com-

prehensive program description and registration information can be obtained by calling Dr. Sobel's offices at 785-1259 or 1-800-874-7189.

The cost is \$69 per person; for every three that attend, a fourth person goes free. Seating is limited and pre-registration is highly recommended. A list of previous companies and organizations that he was attended this newerful program is tions that have attended this powerful program is

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Historical Society Elects Officers For Next Year

At a pot-luck supper in the Captain Leonard House on Tuesday, May 31st, the Agawam Historical Society elected the following officers and board:

President, Wesley Bradford; Vice-president, John Manning; Recording Secretary, Helen Manning; Corresponding Secretary, Pauline J. Mortenson; Treasurer, Ceil Butler; and Archivist, Anne Bradford.

The nine board members elected are: Marilyn Curry, Barbara Dunn, John Rosenberg, Richard Bellico, Ann Bellico, Louis Russo, Marjorie Sher-

man, Pauline L. Mortenson, and Betty James.
Following a short business meeting, the
Nominating Committee, Barbara Dunn and Marjorie Carter, presented the slate for installation.
The speaker for the evening was John Manning. His topic was "Memorabilia of Political Can-

The Agawam Historical Society meets four times a year, usually in October, January, March, which is a joint meeting with the West Springfield Ramapaug Historical Society, and in May. Each meeting has a speaker of historical interest from the region.

The public is invited to attend all its functions.

Birthday Card ads are \$25 with picture; \$15 for smaller ad without picture.



BOARD MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY were elected recently at the Captain Charles Leonard House. From left - Marilyn Curry, John Rosenberg, Betty James, Pauline L. Mortenson, Marjorie Sherman, Barbara Dunn, and Louis Russo. RELATED PHOTO ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Emblem Club To Hold Lawn Party

Come and join the members of West Springfield-Agawam Emblem Club No. 526 at their first "Lawn Party". It promises to be fun for all

The party is scheduled for Sunday, June 26th 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the West

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Historical Society Names Officers



NEW OFFICERS OF THE AGAWAM HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION were recently inducted. From left - Wes Bradford, John Manning, Cecylia Butler, Helen Manning, Pauline J. Mortenson, and Ann Bradford. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Council On Aging **Accepts Nominations** For Gallano Award

Nominations are now being accepted for the Andrew Gallano Award, given for meritorious and distinguished service to elders, presented by the Agawam Council on Aging each year at the ACOA/Friends Annual Dinner in October.

The criteria for selection of the recipient will include, but not be limited to, the following: active involvement on committees or in activities which

involvement on committees or in activities which are related to the issues/needs of the elderly citizens of Agawam; advocates for the needs of the elderly citizens of Agawam; supports issues related to the elderly citizens of Agawam; demonstrates the above in a consistent manner

Please send your nominee's name and address, along with the date, to the Andrew Gallano Award Committee, c/o The Council on Aging, 68 Meadowbrook Manor, Agawam, MA 01001-3128, no later than August 19th.

Explain why this person should receive The Andrew Gallano Award for his/her work or service to

the elders of Agawam.

You may sign your name and phone number to the nomination, although this information is not necessary. If given, it will be kept confidential.

Open Pantry Plans Annual Picnic For Saturday, June 25th

The West Springfield/Agawam Open Pantry will be holding its annual summer picnic on Saturday, June 25th from noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Alice B. Corson Park on Main Street in West Springfield.

Last year, close to 500 people attended, and over 500 are anticipated to attend this year.

If you would like to help, assistance is needed in the following areas:

1. Setting up: 8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon.

2. Supervising games: 12:00 noon-3:00 p.m.

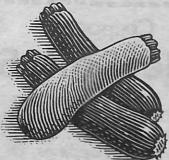
3. Cleaning up: 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

The committee members are Diane Crowell, Pat Lyman, Joan Kellogg, Al Aube, Arnold Boido, Dom Longo, Patrick Kearney, Evelyn Lavelli, Brenda Welch, Bill Girotti, Linda Nummy, Ellian Sanchez, Peppermint Patty, Gerry Conner, Ed O'Leary, Steve Valentino, Vicky Kelleher, Dick Clark, and Nathaniel Motley Nathaniel Motley.

If you are willing to donate time for the picnic, please call any committee member or Diane Crowell or Pat Lyman at the Open Pantry, 734-7969.

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Senior Center Fetes Volunteers At Banquet

The Agawam Senior Center recently held its 10th Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner to

honor the 120 volunteer staff.

Volunteers account for several thousands of hours of service to the Town's older citizens. They were welcomed by Center Director Richard Mundo and were saluted and thanked for their hard work by Mayor Christopher Johnson and Council on Aging Chairperson Peter Forastiere. Greetings were also sent by Congressman Richard Neal.

The volunteers perform several essential functions, including visiting, serving the disabled in the dining room, distributing commodity foods, and conducting senior center classes.

New volunteers honored for the first time were Kenneth Alexander, Grace Argiro. David Barden,

Kenneth Alexander, Grace Argiro. David Barden, John Brusseau, Lenore Dion, Terry Fecowicz, Richard Gingras, Claire Goudreau, Rene Lariviere, Florence McCloud, and Freda Sobel.

Ag. Council On Aging **Names New Officers**

The Agawam Council on Aging has elected new officers for its upcoming fiscal year. Local businessman Peter Forastiere will serve as Chairman, succeeding Helen Manning, who chaired the Council on Aging since 1992.
Rosalie Walsh will serve as Vice Chair, while

Janice Bonk was re-elected as Secretary. Additional Board Members are Reverend Donald Morris, Viola Smith, Edwin Colby, Charles Heyl, and

Chairman Forastiere pledged that the Council on Aging will become more visible during this term, and will try to assess the needs of the Town's older community.

He cited the need to reorganize the C.O.A. and the expansion of the Senior Center facility and its present priorities.



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LIONS CLUB - from Page 1...

Since then, the Lions have done all they can to help preserve vision by raising money to collecting glasses

In each of the elementary schools in town, the children's eyes are tested annually thanks to the Lions. They also have a Sight Fund which benefits youngsters in need of glasses. On an international level, the club helped raise approximately \$130,000 for Campaign Sight First.

The Agawam Lions operate with a \$50,000 budget and with those funds, they give to "groups who need help." Over the past 50 years, just about every organization in Agawam qualified and

received help.

The Lions' help extends to the very young (Girl/Boy Scouts and Little League) to the senior members of our community (Agawam Senior Center), and to everyone in between (the Agawam

Police, the Red Cross, etc.).

260 Attend Anniversary Party

To celebrate their 50th Anniversary, Agawam Lions threw a party at Chez Josef last month. With about 260 in attendance, the Lions celebrated its many accomplishments with speakers, dinner, and dancing. Addressing the group was Master of Ceremonies Albert Taupier, current President Robert Gravel, and Past District Governor Charles St. John.

Coming this July 30th, the Lions will be putting on their Annual Car Show on the grounds of the Agawam High School. The event was postponed from May 8th due to inclement weather. This allday affair will showcase antique cars and giveaway prizes. The money from admission will go towards the many charities the Lions support.

The Lions meet the first Friday and third Wednesday of each month with the exception of July and August. Although membership is by invitation only, interested men and women can simply contact a current club member for more information.

IN MEMORIAM

Lloyd Allen, George Andrews, G. Arthur Armstrong, Sr., James C. Atwater, Philip Barry, John Beltrandi, Lee Bloom, Kenneth D. Burton, John Campbell, Frederick Dacey, Mark Davenport, Louis DePalma, Edward Desmarais, Rafael DiCarlo.

Bernard Dowd, Frank Draghetti, Harry Egbert, Frederick Emerson, Charles Fazio, Percey Fletcher, Raymond Girotti, Ralph Hengst, Ronald Johnson, Philip T. Keefe, Marshal Keyes, Arthur Lafleur.

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1944, Kenneth G. Hinshaw; 1945, Joseph P. McMahon, Jr.; 1946, James O'Keefe; 1947, Henry W. Lawson; 1948, Louis DePalma; 1949, Paul Langlois; 1950, Winslow A. Stahle; 1951, Lester M. Oberheim; 1952, Irving C. Van Heusen; 1953, Henry L. McGowan; 1954, Ronald E. Johnson; 1955, Bruce P. Notman; 1956, Richard H. Eagan. 1957, Fred C. Emerson; 1958, Thomas E. Cascio; 1959, Arthur J. Fuchs; 1960, John Magovern; 1961, Leslie Moore: 1962, Robert Watson Jr.; 1963, John

Leslie Moore; 1962, Robert Watson Jr.; 1963, John Porter; 1964, Nick Zucco; 1965, Ken S. Clouse; 1966, John Mercadante; 1967, Edward W. Schmidt; 1968, Francis Scanlon.

1969, Frank Chriscola Jr.; 1970, John A. Carlson; 1971, Nils O. Noack; 1972, James H. Loomis Jr.; 1973, Warren Roberts; 1974, Louis A. Mandish; 1975, Nils O. Noack; 1976, David Clouse; 1977, Albert Taupier; 1978, Raymond Favreau; 1979, D. Bruce MacDonald; 1980, Richard Bassett; 1981, James Taupier

1979, D. Bruce MacDollald, 1980, Richard Bassett, 1981, James Taupier.
1982, Paul A. Tatro; 1983, Paul Fieldstad; 1984, Raymond Olson; 1985, Albert Taupier; 1986, Donald Sorel; 1987, Harry Camyre; 1988, Thomas Cascio Jr.; 1989, Alfred Serra; 1990, Donald Sorel; 1991, Patrick Finck; 1992, John Negrucci; 1993, Roger Jones.

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AT THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION of the Agawam Lions Club, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson presents a plaque to Albert Taupier, left, master of ceremonies; Donald Clark, Lions district governor; and Robert Gravel, Agawam Lions president. Advertiser



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBERS at the 50th Anniversary Celebration at Chez Josef. From left Paul Fieldstad, Paul Tatro (past district governor), John Negrucci, Thomas Cascio, Sr., Anthony Bonavita, Arthur Fuchs, Frank Chriscola, Warren Roberts (past district governor), and Robert Watson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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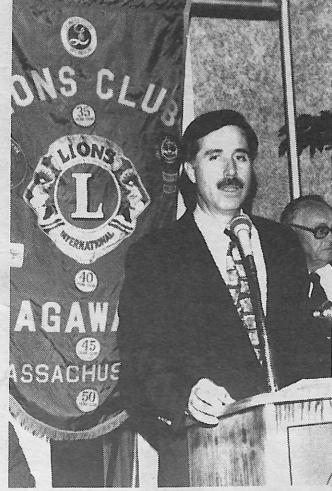
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STATE REP. MICHAEL P. WALSH addresses Agawam Lions Club members at the 50th Anniversary Celebration at Chez Josef. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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PRESENT OFFICERS - 1993-1994
Robert Gravel, President; Roger Jones, Immed. Past President; Joseph Bianca, First Vice President; Anthony Bonavita, Second Vice President; Donald Rheault, Third Vice President; Thomas Dacey, Secretary; Arthur Fuchs, Asst. Secretary; John Walsh, Treasurer, Carald History

Joseph Guy, Asst. Treasurer; Gerald Hine, Tail Twister; Dennis Buell, Lion Tamer; Edgar Judkins, Director; John Negrucci, Director; John Sarat, Director; Richard Bassett, Director; Tony Maniscalco, Director; Raymond Olson, Director.

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AT THE LIONS CLUB'S 50th Anniversary Celebration, pictured are Frederick W. Harkins, incoming district governor; Charles St. John, past district governor and candidate for international director; and Joseph Guy, incoming C.S.T. for the district. Advertiser News photo by Jack



AGAWAM LIONS CLUB MEMBER James Loomis receives the Melvin Jones Fellow Award from Charles St. John, a past district governor. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Ag. Senior Center's Weekly Lunch Menu

Monday, June 20th: Baked chicken breast, wild rice, summer: squash, oatmeal bread, orange.

Tuesday, June 21st: Turkey loaf, potato rounds, mixed vegetables, Canadian oat bread, cherry cobbler.

Wednesday, June 22nd: Meatballs & spaghetti, tossed salad, garlic bread, blackberry cup with whipped topping.

Thursday, June 23rd: French: meat turnover, mashed potatoes, carrot coins, pumpernickel bread, canned pears.

Friday, June 24th: Corn chowder, baked fish, baked beans, rye bread, ice cream.

(Menu subject to change without notice.)

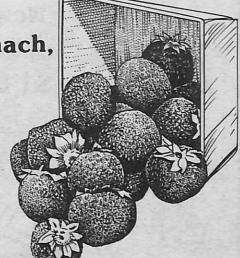
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Pancake Breakfast A Success For "Friends" Of Ag. Senior Center

The "Friends" of the Agawam Senior Center held their first pancake breakfast on Sunday, May 15th, at the Agawam Senior Center ... and it was a resounding success!

The breakfast was a community-based event for young and old alike, and families turned out to enjoy a delicious meal of pancakes and sausages cooked and served up by members of the Agawam

"Friends" board members worked tirelessly to put the breakfast together, and their efforts were well rewarded. Proceeds from the breakfast will be used to help purchase a video projector for the

Senior Center.

"Friends" looks forward to sponsoring more events throughout the year to help boost services to Agawam's seniors.

Those who watched this year's Memorial Day parade were greeted by the "Friends" banner, proudly carried by "Friends" President Lil Doyle, board member Joanne Willis, and the youngest member of "Friends"—16 year-old Cathy Willis.

Welcome to new members: Councilor Robert Danie, Rose Duquette, Helen Graveline, Doris

Heineman, and Doris Ross.

"Friends" membership is open to all Agawam residents, regardless of age. We look forward to welcoming new members and to enhancing the programs for Agawam's seniors through a spirit of community and fellowship.

Agawam Garden Tour To Sponsor Tour Of Five Agawam Gardens

The Agawam Garden Club will be sponsoring a tour of five Agawam gardens on Saturday, June 18th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. All five gardeners

welcome visitors to the gardens that they have created, each with its own personality.

The tour will begin at the home of Denise Carmody at 40 Primrose Lane. This is where tickets will be gold for \$2 and participants will be given. will be sold for \$3, and participants will be given a map to direct them to the other gardens on the tour, where they will see perennial borders, patio gardens, small space gardens, and an iris garden. To get to Denise's house, take Route 75 south (Suffield Street); take a left after McDonald's on

Centerwood Street; Primrose Lane will be the fourth left. For more information, call Denise at 786-7783 any evening.

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The seminar titled "Dancing With Wolves-How To Deal Superbly and Creatively With Difficult People," will be held on Wednesday evening, July 13th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Ramada Hotel in

West Springfield.

The program will allow participants to learn strategies to deal with difficult people at work as

The program is led by Dr. Steve Sobel of The New England Institute For Stress and Life Management of West Springfield. Contact hours available.

Call 785-1259 to register. Cost is \$18 per person and for every three that attend, a fourth goes free. Participants will learn to control the direction of their lives with this seminar.

AFSCME Retirees To Meet June 23rd At West Side Senior Ctr.

The next meeting of the AFSCME Retiree Chapter 103 will be held on June 23rd at 2:00 p.m. in the West Springfield Senior Center, 128 Park

Street, West Springfield.
Featured guest will be Mrs. Phyllis Austin Bertera, representative of the American Lung Association, who will speak on the American Lung Association, their aims and efforts for all retirees, and the future of the retirees.

Mrs. Bertera was the former Selectwoman of West Springfield and is very active in the American Lung Association and wishes to point out how the American Lung Association is help-ing the rations. ing the retirees.

The public is welcome to attend this meeting. This will be the last meeting until September

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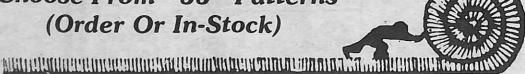
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THE AGAWAM CHAPTER of American Intercultural Programs (AFS) are seeking host families for the 1994-95 school year for Anna from Finland (left) and Cristina from Spain.

INTERNET Program Still Has Openings At Agawam Public Library

There are still openings in an INTERNET program/presentation to be held at the Agawam Public Library on June 23rd at 6:30 and again at 8:00 p.m.

We have all heard so much about the IN-TERNET, but most of us have not ever actually 'seen" it. The Internet has been called the beginning of the telecommunications superhighway, and includes information from thousands of individual, governmental, corporate, and university

Whether you are interested in bicycles, poetry, or geophysics, you can find it on the Internet.
The Internet is like an entire world inside your computer, complete with eccentrics and sages, mystery and buried treasure. But how do you get "there?" Join Dianne McMenamin and find out.

We will read and send email, eavesdrop on some spirited discussions, and do some research. Find out how to read "smileys," avoid the dreaded "flame," and become a "net surfer."

This demonstration and discussion will be led by Dianna McMenamin, owner of Computer Mystery, a member of the Apple Training Alliance and a member of the Valley Interface MacIntosh Users Group.

Our experience has been that programs such as this attract people with extremely diverse backgrounds, so we have set the 6:30 p.m. session for absolute beginners, and the 8:00 p.m. session for absolute beginners. sion for people who may be novices, but at least be familiar with computers.

This program is part of a Federal grant entitled "Students' High Tech Multimedia Education Center," which is being funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with Title I Funds of L.S.C.A. (Library Services and Construction Act), a Federal source of library fun-

This program should be of special interest to parents, teachers, and students. Please register early, AS SPACE IS LIMITED. This program is open only to residents of Agawam and Feeding

If you would like to register, or require any additional information, please call the library at

Host Families Sought For Exchange Students At Agawam High

The Agawam Chapter of American Intercultural Programs (AFS) is seeking host families for two young women, both 17, representing the countries of Finland and Spain.

Host families come in all shapes and sizes. The most important things a host family can provide are open arms and a kind and understanding atmopshere. And the experience can last a lifetime.

In the 1994-95 year, Agawam AFS will be celebrating its 20th year in the community. AFS is the oldest and largest student exchange organiza-tion in the world, as well as the second largest volunteer-based organization in the world. Over 3,500 students from over 55 countries are hosted by everyday American families each year.

Agawam AFS has an 11-member community chapter that is responsible for placing students in the community each year. But the Agawam AFS

the community each year. But the Agawam AFS Community Chapter is also closely involved with the foreign students and their host families throughout the year. There is a large and active AFS student club at Agawam High School. All AFS students on the year program are members of the senior class at the school with the same rights and privileges as the American students.

Agawam AFS also has a member of the school's faculty acting as the official advisor to the AFS students throughout the academic year.

AFS International is responsible for liability insurance as well as full medical coverage.
Agawam AFS also provides some monetary assistance to the students (mostly schoolrelated)

Currently, Agawam AFS is hosting five foreign students, four girls and a boy. The countries include Chile, Portugal, Czech Republic, Switzerland, and Sweden.

Also, Agawam AFS sponsored an Agawam High senior, Steve DeCoteau, for the 1993-94 academic year in Mexico. Steve recently returned to graduate with the AHS class of 1994. This month, Agawam AFS is helping to sponsor Selena Machia of Feeding Hills on the summer program in Ecuador. Selena is currently finishing-up her sophomore year at AHS

If you are interested in hosting one of these two young women, or are interested in obtaining more information about being a host family, contact Al Machia at 786-0114; AHS faculty advisor Mary Ellen Bruce, 789-1400, extension 421 (weekdays); or Ric Sardella, chapter president, 786-7747 (days)

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Community Grange Slates 15th Annual **Strawberry Supper**

Community Grange No. 382, Inc., will be holding its 15th annual strawberry supper on Tuesday, June 21st, at the Grange Home, 47 North West Street, Feeding Hills.

There will be continuous servings from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The menu consists of potato salad, ham, baked beans, pickles, rolls, strawberry shortcake, and beverages.

The price is \$7 for adults, and \$3.50 for children

under 12 years of age.

For reservations, call Hannah Binns at 786-4052, or Florence Blish at 786-6172. (A limited amount of walk-ins will be accepted.)

Agawam/F.H. Chapter Of AARP To Meet Monday, June 27th

The next meeting of the Agawam/Feeding Hills chapter of AARP will be held at the Agawam Senior Center on Monday, June 27th, at 7:00 p.m.

Members are asked to please note this change in time (previous meetings were held at 1:00 p.m.). At this upcoming meeting, the 1994-1995 officers will be installed. A social hour is planned, including refreshments, to which non-members (50 years or older) are invited to attend.

This will be the last meeting until September.

This will be the last meeting until September. Annual dues in the amount of \$2 are payable at

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DENISE BULEY & JOHN SHANNON III

Denise A. Buley To **Wed John Shannon III**

Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Bulev of Southwick are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Denise Ann, to John Edward Shannon III, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Shannon Jr. of

Feeding Hills.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Agawam High School and will be a senior at Bay Path College

Her fiance graduated from Agawam High School, attended Westfield State College, and is the senior systems engineer for Entre Computer Center of West Springfield

A June 1995 wedding is planned.

LORI WANIEWSKI & NELSON COSTA

Lori Ann Waniewski **To Wed Nelson Costa**

Mrs. Cynthia Landers of Feeding Hills and Mr. Eugene Waniewski of Worcester announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Ann Waniewski, to Nelson J. Costa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose A. Costa.

Ms. Waniewski is a graduate of Agawam High School and the Boston University School of Management. She is the Grant Funding Coordinator for the Department of Neurobiology at Harvard Medical School.

Mr. Costa is a graduate of Cathedral High School, Western New England College, and the University of Connecticut School of Law. He is a practicing attorney in the Springfield area.

The couple is planning a September wedding.

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BRITTANY SHIELDS

Brittany Shields Wins Two Modeling Awards

Brittany Shields, a fourth grade student at Granger School and a professional model since the age of eight, has won two modeling awards thus far in 1994.

In February, she won the second-place photogenic prize at the "Starpower" competition held in Springfield, MA. Then, at the "Showstopper" competition held in March in Brockton, MA, she took the first-place photogenic award, thereby enabling her to compete in regionals in Myrtle Beach this July.

Since 1992, Brittany has been with the Swift Kids Modeling Agency; in addition, she has been with the Model Club Kids Agency out of Boston since 1993. For her first "big" job at eight years of age, she made a Toyota Camery commercial.

Since that time, Brittany has worked every week either in Boston or New York City, and some of her jobs have been for Kids R Us, Filene's, G-Fox, Steiger's, Lego, Talbot's, and Kids' Playclothes. For the past eight years, she has also danced at Anita's Dance Studio (which, at one time, was owned by her grandmother and is now owned by

In the beginning of her career, Brittany was for-tunate enough to have been selected to be on the cover of "Vogue Bambini." Her most recent inter-view was with "Family Fun," which would like to use her in their next issue; however, due to the fact that she'll soon be getting braces, Brittany may decide to put her career "on hold" until the braces come off. Moreover, since she'll be entering Agawam Middle School next year, she'd like to spend more of her time getting involved in school-related activities.

Brittany resides in Feeding Hills with her parents, Jim and Diane Shields, and her brother,



MR. & MRS. JOSEPH ANTICO

Jill Normoyle Becomes **Bride Of Joseph Antico**

Holy Cross Church in Springfield was the setting for the recent wedding of Jill Normoyle and Joseph Antico. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Normoyle of Springfield. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Bruno An-

tico Jr. of Agawam. Susan Frigo and Heather Pike attended the bride as maids of honor. Dawn Garvey, Kelly Ward, Margo Normoyle, Lynn Carver, Lisa Antico, and Julie Antico were bridesmaids, and Amanda

Derose was the flower girl.

Bruno Antico III and Anthony Antico served the bridegroom as best men. Ushers were James Antico, Michael Normoyle, Mark Normoyle, Todd Godek, Anthony Cichett, and Vincent Derose, and the ring bearer was Bruno Dominick Antico

A reception followed the ceremony at Chez Josef in Agawam, and the coupled honeymooned in St. Maartin.

The bride is a graduate of the former Classical High School of Springfield and Springfield Technical Community College. She is employed as a medical assistant at Baystate OB/GYN Group

The bridegroom graduated from Agawam High School. He is employed by Homedco of New

The couple now resides in Springfield.



MR. & MRS. SCOTT SOWA

Nicole Hermans Weds Mr. Scott Sowa

Immaculate Conception Church in Indian Or-chard was the setting for the recent wedding of Nicole Hermans and Scott Sowa. The bride is the daughter of Mark and Charlene Hermans of 21 Glenwood Drive, Westfield.

Parents of the bridegroom are Daniel and Joanne Sowa of 61 Weston St., Wilbraham.

Jill Hermans attended her sister as maid-of-

honor along with Cathy Musselman (sister of the groom), Jeanie Angel, Tammy Black, and Melody Lougher.

Mike Pietras served his nephew as best man, along with Mark Hermans, Jr. (brother of the bride), Dan Sheehan, John Musselman, and Barry Whitehill.

The couple are both graduates of Holyoke Com-

munity College. The bride also graduated from Westfield High School. She is a mortgage loan operator at Stat-

wide Funding Corp. He husband graduated from Minnechaug Regional High School in Wilbraham and attended Western New England College in Springfield. He is an operation coordinator for UPS.

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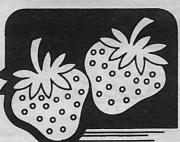
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Church News

Ag. Congregational Kicks-Off Strawberry Supper Season



AT THE AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH on June 9th, the Annual Strawberry Supper was held. Here, kitchen worker Doris Preston proudly displays the featured item of the evening, strawberry short-cake. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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CAROL MOSHER (left) and HELEN ROBBINS were part of the kitchen crew who put on the Annual Strawberry Supper at the Agawam Congregational Church on June 9th. RELATED PHOTO ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Annual Strawberry Festival Scheduled At Agawam 1st Baptist Church On June 18th

The First Baptist Church, located on Main & Elms Sts. in Agawam, is having its 11th Annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday, June 18th, with servings at 4:45 and 6:15 p.m.

The menu includes baked beans, baked ham, potato salad, coleslaw, rolls and butter, beverage,

and strawberry shortcake.

Cost for adults is \$7, children under 10, \$3.

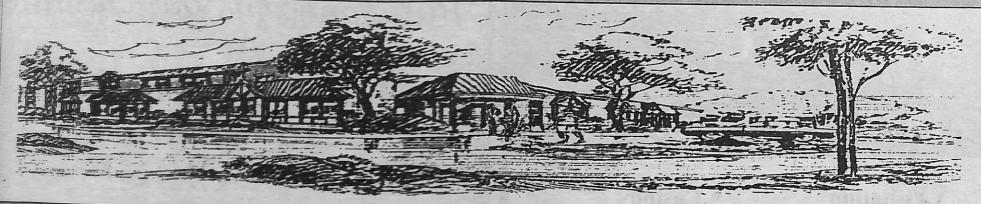
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Youth Sunday Set For Ag. Congregational

This Sunday, June 19th, is Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition Day at Agawam Congregational Church, 745 Main Street, Agawam. Graduated seniors from area high schools will be honored and will receive their book awards.

Our graduated seniors are Amy R. Annino, Joshua M. Brosseau, Steven Decoteau, and Carl

Also, we will be awarding our 1994 Agawam Congregational Church Scholarship Awards. Students receiving scholarships are freshmen Amy R. Annino, Joshua M. Brosseau, Carl A. Perkins. Sophomores Dana A. Fuller, Daniel Rust, Tracy Kellogg, Tammy L. Washburn. Juniors Andrew J. Bressem, Dena Gagne. Senior, Marc A.

Congratulations to all our students!

Our 456 Club (4th-6th grade) will be leading and participating in this week's Worship Service.
Our Summer Worship will begin at 9:30 a.m. this

Sunday, and will continue at 9:30 a.m. through September 11th.

Our Midweek Wednesday Service continues at 7:30 p.m. The half hour service includes a hymn sing, prayers and reading, a brief meditation and a communion service.

On Sunday, June 19th, we will celebrate FATHER'S DAY in our worship service and following the service with a MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDAE, with fathers being treated for free! Women will be \$1, children (under nine) are 50 cents.

Following the sundaes will be our VARIETY AUCTION. Items for bid include a week in St. Petersburg, Florida in a two-bedroom house, a weekend at the Cape in a three-bedroom house, airplane ride in an open cockpit plane, airplane ride in a four-passenger plane, tour of the State House and lunch with State Representative Linda Melconian, country wreaths, floral arrangements, rides in an antique car and a convertible, gourmet dinner for two, baked goods, and more.

All proceeds go to the "On to Oakland" trip in

Our Vacation Bible Camp will be held July 11th through 15th. Children ages two through fifth grade are welcome. Older children may volunteer

to help our teachers.
Register early. Call the church office at

Adults Night Out - Saturday, June 25th. We will Everyone post high school is invited!!!

Church Suppers Are The Best!!!



LILLIAN SULLIVAN and FRED SANFORD will certainly attest that some of the best meals in town can be enjoyed at the many regular church suppers. Lillian and Fred attended the June 9th Strawberry Supper at the Agawam Congregational Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack

Eight Children Enter Christian Community Through Baptism At St. John's Church

Eight children were received into the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism on

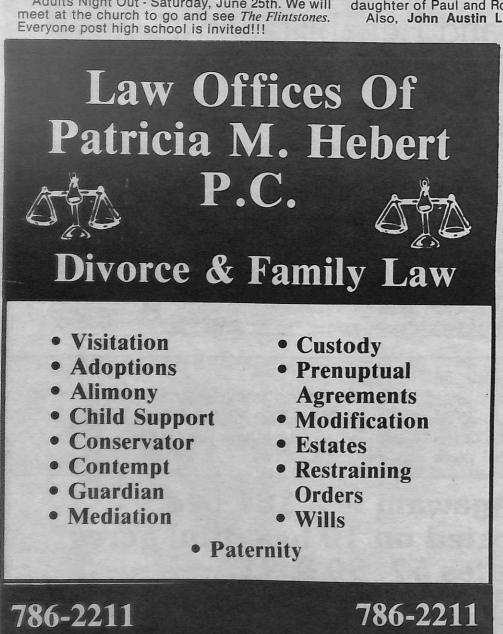
Sunday, June 11th, during the 11:30 a.m. Liturgy at St. John the Evangelist Church, Agawam.

The children baptized were: Sarah Katherine Barnhart, daughter of Robert and Shirley Barnhart; Alicia Teresa Busco, daughter of Mark and Justine Busco; Karin Lynn Byrne, daughter of Edward and Lynn Byrne; Gabrielle Francesca Treat, daughter of Paul and Rose Treat.

Also, John Austin Little, son of Robert and

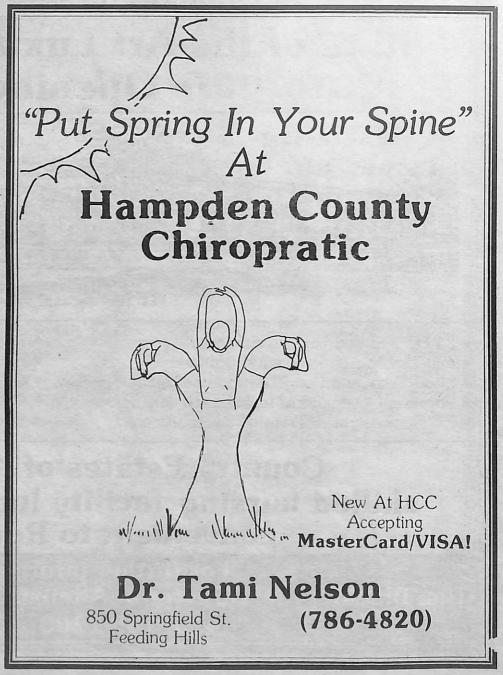
Jeanine Little; Nathan Eric Maccini, son of John and Cathleen Maccini; Gialaina Santos, daughter of Alfred and Patricia Santos; and Janelle Nicole Thompson, daughter of Michael and Stacy Thompson.

Daily Masses are celebrated Monday through Friday at 8:30 a.m., and weekend Masses on Saturday at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m., and Sundays at 7:00, 9:30, and 11:30 a.m.



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Church News - continued...

Crafts Festival Held By Catholic Women's Club



ST. JOHN'S PARISH CENTER was the site of a craft festival sponsored by the Agawam Catholic Women's Club on June 4th. From left - Suellen Duga, Pamela Paro, Andrea White, and Tonie White (of the White Family Woodworkers of Agawam). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Guest Preacher At F.H. Congregational On Sunday, June 19th

Feeding Hills Congregational Church-welcomes the Reverend Arthur Sweeney this week as our guest pastor. His sermon title is "The Good Father.

Rev. Sweeney is a former pastor of this church and presently resides in Greenfield.

Don't forget the Strawberry Supper on Saturday, June 18th. Delicious food is on the menu!

Any news items to be included in the Informer need to be in the church office by Tuesday, June

There are no scheduled meetings this week.

Strawberry Supper & Food Sale Planned By Ladies Society Of F.H. Congregational

The Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church, 21 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, is sponsoring a Strawberry Supper and Food Sale on Saturday, June 18th.

The menu will include potato and egg salad, 786-1935, Mrs. William Horenst boiled ham, home baked beans, coleslaw, rolls Mrs. Earl Bradway at 786-1409. and pickles, strawberry

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shortcake, and beverage. Check our

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The cost will be \$7 for adults, \$2.50 for children

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Spotlight On Business

Forastiere Family Receives Honor From Small Business Council

Colonial-Forastiere Funeral Home of Agawam was one of the 35 area businesses to be saluted by the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce and the Small Business Council of Greater Springfield at the First Annual Small Business Recognition Banquet on May 25th, at Chez Josef.

The funeral home was the recipient of a Small Business Recognition Award for Contributions to Their Company and Their Impact on the Economic Development of the Region.

The honoress, such as Colonial Funeral Home, were chosen for "the creativity, innovation, community service, tenacity, and enthusiasm found in these small businesses," according to the program for the celebration.

"Our entire staff was delighted and honored to receive such a prestigious award," explained Peter Forastiere, Co-owner and Funeral Director. "As a small business, we take our commitment to the community very seriously, so it was wonderful to be recognized by the Chamber of Commerce and the Small Businss Council, as well as the businesses in the Greater Springfield area."

Colonial Funeral Home was recognized especially for its continued services to the community through its educational outreach program, "Coping with Loss."

The firm has volunteered the services of its Grief Counselor and Funeral Directors to teach this five-day mini-course to juniors and seniors at the Agawam High School since 1985. The course was created and designed by their Grief Counselor, Lila Forastiere, M.Ed., to provide students with knowledge of the grief process, funeral etiquette, and strategies for coping with grief.

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MEMBERS OF THE FORASTIERE FAMILY, owners of Colonial Funeral Home on Main Street, Agawam, receive a Small Business Recognition Award from Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce officials. Forastiere family members in photo include Lila Forastiere, Frank (third from left), Anthony, and Peter Forastiere.

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FORASTIERE FAMILY - from Page 24...

The inception and main development of "Coping with Loss" began nine years ago in Agawam. Since then, over 1,800 Agawam High School students have been exposed to the program, which is presented in the spring and fall of each year.

The firm's branch location, Southwick Funeral Home, offers a similar program to the Westfield and Southwick school systems. Recently, they have received a request from Longmeadow to initiate a grief curriculum to be offered to their high school students.

"It is our hope that this mini-course will ease the way for students when the death of a loved one does touch their lives and will help to make them 'aware consumers' when the need arises," expressed Lila Forastiere. "But more importantly perhaps, we hope that through reflecting upon how fragile life is, they will live life more fully, carefully, and joyfully."

During the mini-course, the funeral home's Grief Counselor, Lila Forastiere, teaches in the classroom, where she discusses with the students the meaning of loss and how it affects

us throughout our life span.

They talk of funeral "etiquette": how to help a friend who has experienced a loss, suggestions of what one might say (and not say, either) when visiting either informally or at the funeral home, and how to courteously attend the various funeral activities. They share their viewpoints of the value of funeral services and the reasons why most people find them helpful.

The final day of the mini-course is spent touring the funeral home where topics of discussion include embalming procedures, cremation, earth burial, the various choices in casket, vault, and urn selection, and a myriad of decisions that need to be made at the time of death of a loved one.

urn selection, and a myriad of decisions that need to be made at the time of death of a loved one. "We 'walk them through' what people do when a loved one dies," explained Peter Forastiere. "We review the feelings of grief and how each person grieves in a unique way. We offer ideas of how to cope with personal grief responses.

"Our entire staff is personally rewarded by having the opportunity to touch the lives of over 6,000 students in the schools we have been involved with," said Peter Forasitere. "We plan to continue our volunteer work locally and pursue this presentation in other local communities."



SHIRLEY KIBBE

Shirley Kibbe Joins Landry, Lyons, Whyte

Laurence D. Landry, President of Landry, Lyons, and Whyte Co./Better Homes & Gardens, is pleased to announce that Shirley Kibbe has joined their firm in their Feeding Hills/Agawam sales office.

Shirley has been a realtor since 1981 and was recognized as Agent of the Year several times with a local real estate company. She has attained the designations of G.R.I. (Graduate Realtors Institute) and C.R.S. (Certified Residential Specialist) and has obtained a broker's license.

Shirley lives in Agawam with her husband, Stuart, and looks forward to assisting her past, current, and future customers at her new location.

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For further information, please contact Shirley at 789-4915 or 786-2053.

TNT Buffalo Wings At EB's Helps MDA



EB'S SPECIALTY CHICKEN held its Annual TNT Wing Eating Contest on June 2nd to benefit the Western Mass. Muscular Dystrophy Association. The famous buffalo wings from EB's were flying all about as contestants vied to wolf-down the most wings in five minutes. ROCK 102 also was one of the sponsors of the event. Some of the eaters included (top photo) Chris Genereva, Eric Willcox, and Leo "Bert" Berthiaume. PHOTO BELOW - Mike Lynch, John Breton, Bob Holden, and Frank Kampne. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.





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Purchasing a home can be a complicated and confusing process, especially for first-time buyers; and, according to a CENTURY 21 survey, 40% of all home buyers in Massachusetts are first-time buyers. Throughout the process, buyers will encounter a variety of unfamiliar real estate terms and procedures. There are several key terms and procedures associated with purchas-

ing real estate that are helpful to know.
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After signing the Purchase and Sale Agreement, the buyer must make an application to the Bank, Mortgage Company, or Credit Union for a mortgage. When the lender has verified the buyer's financial information, credit, and completed an appraisal, they will issue a mortgage commitment, which is a written promise to make a loan for a specified amount and on specified terms, by a set

A mortgage is a lien placed on the property by the lender, and the lien secures the mortgage note. The note is the buyer's promise to pay the mortgage amount of the real estate in addition to a stated interest rate over a specified period of time. An appraisal is an estimate of the property's

Once a mortgage commitment has been obtained, the buyer and seller must legally close t estate transaction. Before this can happen, an attorney representing the lender (but paid by the buyer) must order a Title Search, which is a review of all the recorded documents affecting the property to determine the present condition of the ti-

The closing is a meeting where the buyer, seller, and attorneys review, sign, and exchange the final documents. At the closing, the seller delivers the deed to the buyer, which legally transfers the title from the seller to the buyer.

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Landry, Lyons, & White Realtors Relocate Corporate Offices

Laurence D. Landry, President of LANDRY, LYONS & WHYTE Company/Better Homes and Gardens, is pleased to announce the recent relocation of its Corporate Headquarters to 1000 Wilbraham Road, Springfield.

The new location expands the firm's administrative office space to over 4,000 square feet

and includes a 45-plus seat community room that will be utilized by the company for its Professional Service Training Program for the Sales Associates, Sales Meetings, and other training

The community room is also available to outside organizations for meetings and there is an

abundance of free parking available at the site.
With the opening of the new corporate office,
LANDRY, LYONS & WHYTE Company now has three locations in the city of Springfield along with its seven other suburban locations. The firm

has always been committed to Springfield and Mr. Landry was intent upon relocating his main office to a Springfield locale since Springfield is the driving force behind the success of the real estate market in Springfield as well as in the surrounding suburbs.

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RIVERSIDE PARK BROADWAY REVUE member Stan Siniarski dances with a senior citizen at the Agawam Senior Center last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

St. Martha Players Seek Costumer For Fall Production Of 'Annie'

St. Martha Players Inc. of Enfield, Connecticut are looking for a costumer for their fall production of the musical "Annie." Submit payment requisite.

They are also looking for a person for set construction.

Contact St. Martha Players, Inc., c/o Anna Giza, Shaker Road, Somers, CT 06071, (203)

749-5141. Deadline is August 1st.



MEMBERS OF THE BROADWAY REVUE being produced by Riverside Amusement Pairk recently appeared at the Agawam Senior Center for a sneak preview. From left - Stan Siniarski, Patti Carroll, Donna Dolloff, Jane Hajec, Barbara Welch, Rose Cavanaugh, and Judy LeMay on piano. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Jr. High To Benefit From Tickets Sales At Broaday Revue

As showtime approaches, "Riverside's Friends in Harmony" are getting excited about the upcoming production of "To Broadway With Love."

This is a show that was produced by Riverside and stars the local talent of Agawam. You will hear them sing their way through classic Broadway pieces from all eras. Riverside is so pleased with how well the show has turned out, they plan to make it a regular program in surrounding towns and will come back to Agawam as an annual

Because the program is brand new, it was hard to predict the expenses and community response. But now that the cast and staff has walked through it, there is no doubt this is a first-class production.

"We will give \$3 of each ticket sold back to the Agawam Junior High School," said Bob Cignoli, the controller at Riverside. "Our expenses range from costumes to renting a piano, an accomplanist, and a variety of things necessary to make this a really good show.'

with no return expected, but would like to ssubsidize this effort so that it can be an on-going program. The spirit and enthusiasm and talent wiithin the community is a worth-while investment, he ad-

"Obviously, the more tickets that are sold, the more money we can give to the Agawam Jurnior

High School and continue to produce 'Friends in Harmony' shows," said Cignoli.
The show will be held Friday and Saturday,
Junior High School. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens and children 12 and under

The chorus of Agawam residents is singing such tunes as "Hello Young Lovers," "Younger than Springtime," and "Climb Every Mountain." Their efforts will be rewarded if the turnout is good enough to donate a substantial amount to the Agawam Junior High, said Cignoli.

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Memoirs Of Fathers

Some call him father, some call him dad, Some call him the best friend they ever had; But no matter his name, he's always there, With his tender hand, and his loving care;

When monsters appear in our dreams at night, And we cry out in terror and utter fright; He's at our side to banish the fear, And hold us tight, and dry our tear;

He helps us with our walk through life, He's there through joy, and pain, and strife; We recall the good times outweigh the bad, For they were carefully created by wonderful dad;

We'll love and cherish him, not just today, But forever in our hearts, he'll eternally stay; We'll never forget him, from the day of our birth, He gave us a life of goodness and worth.

Westfield Theatre **Group Offers Second Summer Theatre Camp**

The Westfield Theatre Group of the Westfield Woman's Club is pleased to announce its second Summer Theatre Camp. Six exciting weeks of classes in theatre for young people nine to 18 years of age. The workshops will begin Monday, July 11th, and run through August 19th.

There are five sessions: one two-week, full-day session which runs from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and four two-week, half-day sessions with a morning session from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and an afternoon session from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

There will be a Parent-Student Orientation/Registration Night on Wednesday, June 22nd, at 7:00 p.m. at the Westfield Woman's Club to visit with the instructor and see the facilities

Registration is limited to the first 20 applicants per session. We need a minimum of 10 students per session to meet expenses; therefore, we reserve the right to cancel the workshop and refund all tuition if the enrollment minimum is not

The deadline for registration is July 6th. Tuition is \$350 for the full-day session and \$150 for each two-week, half-day session, and must be paid in full one week prior to session attended (a \$50 non-refundable deposit registers you now). Scholarship assistance and group/family discounts are available.

The workshop will include classes in acting, auditioning, and improvisation. The students will also receive hands-on instruction in set construction, lighting, make up, costume, and play production. No previous theatre experience is necessary.

The highlight of each workshop will be a workshop production the final Friday evening of each two-week session, open to the public. The students will use their training to perform in these public productions. Over 30 students performed 11 plays for the over-200 people attending last summer's productions.

The workshop will be held at the Westfield Woman's Club, 28 Court Street, Westfield, Massachusetts, home of the Westfield Theatre Group for over 60 years. The Westfield Theatre Group was organized in 1923.

The instructor again this year is CTA award-winning director and set designer large Anderson.

winning director and set designer Larry Andersen. M.Ed. A teacher for 16 years, Andersen has 26 years of theatre experience as an actor, director, set designer, lighting designer, and producer. For further information, call 568-8149.

This project is sponsored, in part, by the Westfield Arts Council, a local agency; the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency; and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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He'll help you find words, when you first try to talk, He'll steady your step, when you first try to walk; He'll read bedtime stories, to lull you to sleep, And a faithful vigil, through the night, he'll keep;

He'll show you the world of wonderous magic, And protect you from evil, and everything tragic;

His gentle hand and his loving heart, Will forever be the most vital part;

Of the journey you travel upon this Earth, From the very first moment of the day of your birth; So revere him dearly with all of your heart, Make his place in your life, the very best part;

Enjoy with him, the blessings of caring, They're doubly blest, with both of you sharing; Remember you wouldn't be here today, If God wasn't there, to show him the way;

So you and your dad, with a bond of great sphere, Will chart the course of living, devoid of all fear; Warm feelings of love and esteem will comvey, Your great love for him always, and this Father's Day.

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Good Guys

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Thank you, Chris Williams.

* One Good Cop

Director: Heywood Gould. 1991. Rated R. 1 hour and 46 minutes. Starring: Michael Keaton, Rene Russo, Anthony LaPaglia, Kevin Conway, Rachel Ticotin, and Tony Plana.

This nerve-tingling film stars Michael Keaton doing what he seems to do best—playing the good guy. When his partner is killed by a drug criminal, Keaton and his wife (played admirably) by Rene Russo) take in the deceased's children.

Much of the film centers around Keaton's character trying to cope with the death of a friend as well as focusing his attention on capturing the deranged assailant.

The film is undeniably supported by the riveting drama created by the powerful acting by all (and I mean all) involved.

Though the story itself seems to be somewhat average, the powerful characterizations turn this plain donut into a honey-glazed, making the ordinary go down with surprising ease and delec-

Vickie Phillips Returns To Weill Recital Hall At Carnegie Hall

On Saturday, June 18th, at 8:30 p.m., Vickie Phillips will return to Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall with a diversified program of songs enhanced by three back-up singers and a sevenpiece orchestra. The theme of her cabaret con-cert, "It's About Time," will include several of her own compositions.

Coleen Bartlett-Taylor, Conni Lind of Agawam, and Dan McDermott will join Vickie in a program of music ranging from bright, silly ditties to compelling ballads. Michael Rheault is music director/accompanist for the show.

Other instrumentation will be provided by Paul Coffill, Mike Drumheller, Bonnie Drumheller, Neal Schermerhorn, Steve Irwin, and Kathleen Schoeck. Musical arrangements were composed by Paul Coffill.

Her eclectic program is not to be missed! Tickets can be purchased at Carnegie Hall Box Office, or call CarnegieCharge at (212) 247-7800. All seats are reserved.

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You will be shocked at the impact this film will have on you. Simply put, One Good Cop is one good movie! 3 STARS. (17 years and up.)

Director: Hal Needham. 1982. Rated PG. 1 hour and 39 minutes. Starring: Barry Bostwick, Michael Beck, Persis Khambatta, and Henry Silva.

This science-fiction tale about a band of soldier-like fighters who battle to preserve freedom may not be the best example of filmmaking magic, but it does deliver the much-needed

message that good overshadows evil.

The film (with the exception of a few choice action scenes) does move rather slowly for adult viewers, but the kids will eat it up

Also unfortunate is the weak dialogue delivery that causes what the characters say to be as in-

teresting as your high school chemistry teacher! The most important thing, however, is that at least this film failed while trying to do something good; that is, send a valuable message to society.

No exaggerated violence, no senseless gore, and best of all, no smut! That in itself is a mega-force! **2 STARS.** (17 years and up.) * Flash Gordon

Director: Mike Hodges. 1980. Rated PG. 1 hour and 50 minutes. Starring: Sam Jones, Topol, Max von Sydow, Melody Anderson, and Timothy Dalton.

This campy adaptation of the famed comic strip character of the 1930's is a delight to watch! Intentionally filmed with quite obviously bogus special effects, the film plays like a visual comic

strip.
Sam Jones plays the classic title character, and Melody Anderson plays his one-time stablemate, Dale Arden. An impressive performance is especially worth noting from Max von Sydow as the bad guy, Ming the Merciless.

Don't expect this adaptation to be like Superman The Movie or Batman because it wasn't intended to be serious. Also check out the mind-blowing soundtrack by the reputable band Queen.

Just enjoy this entertaining romp for what it is pure unadulterated fun. (15 years and up.) (EDITOR'S NOTE: If you have any suggestions

for movie-related topics that you'd like to see discussed in this column, send them to Lou in care of *The Agawam Advertiser News*, P.O. Box 263, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.)

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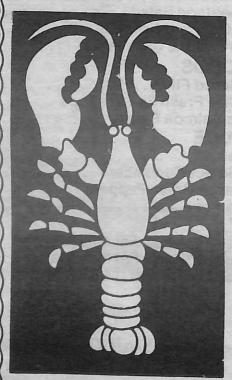
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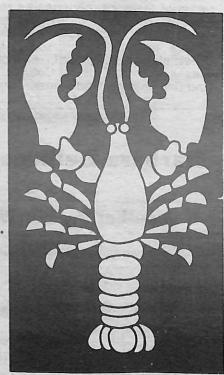
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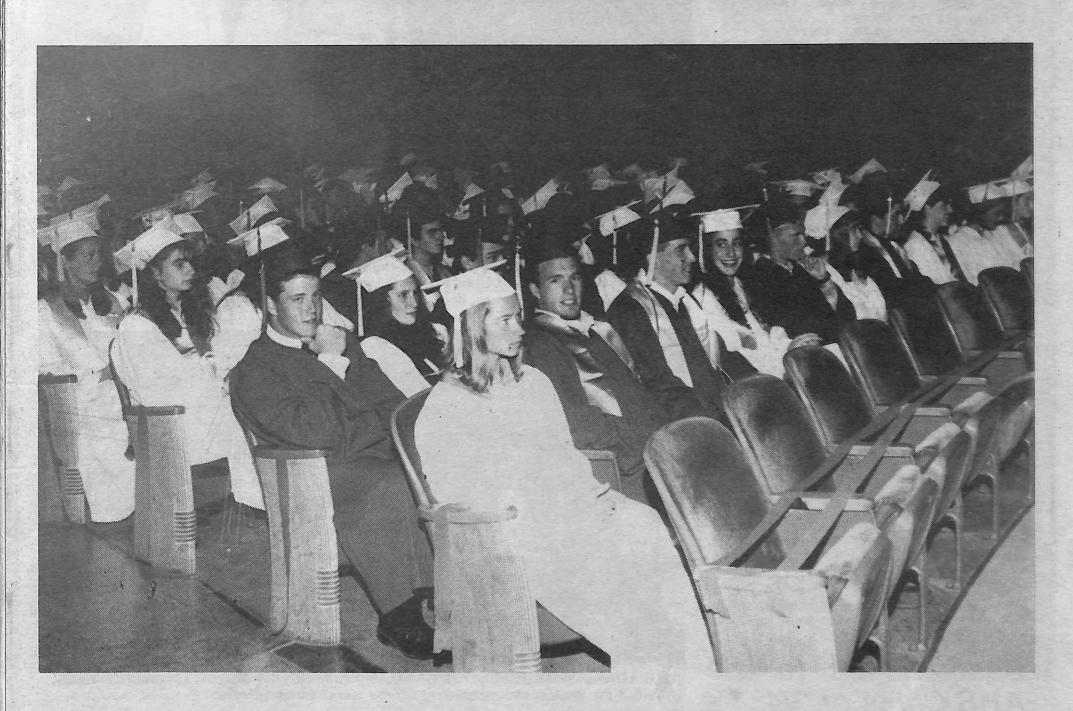
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June 5th, 1994

Class Of 1994





GRADUATION 1994

Theme Of "Change" **Dominates AHS's** 1994 Commencement

by Holly Pevzner Advertiser News Staff

From the SACHEM Yearbook theme to the new principal, the Class of 1994 is all about change. As Principal Russell Furtado urged in his address, "Now it's your turn to change," the sounds of change rang through much of the words spoken at Agawam High School's Commencement Ceremony at the Springfield Symphony Hall on June 5th

The 201 graduates and six foreign exchange students enjoyed a beautiful Sunday afternoon for their big day. These students comprised Agawam's smallest senior class in over 20 years. Their small size and closeness led class Salutatorian Jamie Lewis to refer to her classmates as "family."

Throughout Ms. Lewis's tearful speech, she

placed importance on friendship. "The most important thing that we will bring with us as we move on is friendship." She described a true friend as "someone who accepts you for who you are," and she said no one fits the bill better than her mother and father.

The best friends I have are 34 years older than I

"The best friends I have are 34 years older than I am. They're my parents."

Ms. Lewis will be leaving her friends and family this fall to major in elementary education at Providence College in Rhode Island. She concluded her address by advising her peers "never to forget the people who started (them) off."

Also speaking to graduating AHS seniors was class Valedictorian Michael Rose. Rose will be continuing his education at Hartwick College in New York. He spoke to his classmates about the

New York. He spoke to his classmates about the

power of controlling one's destiny.

As Rose quoted Henry Ford, he reiterated the statement, "If you think you can, you can. If you think you can't, you can't; either way, you'll be right."

Rose urged the Class of 1994 to "simply expect to win, because with the right attitude, there is no telling where one can go. But before one can be a winner one must first be a dreamer. I want you all winner, one must first be a dreamer. I want you all to be big dreamers," he said.

Challenge To Change Class President Steven Slate took the stage and also spoke of fate. "We control our own

destiny (now)." Slate challenged his peers to "put and end to (the) stereotype we've all become...
Make a change. Change the way people see each other. Change the way people see you and change the way we treat everybody."

Slate, who served as senior class president for one year, expressed hope for his classmates. He sees them moving in the right direction, and

hopefully heading for a path free from conformity.
"We've finally learned to ignore each other's differences and accept people for who they really are. Don't give up," he concluded.

These graduates were led into graduation exercises by Junior Marshals **Jason Rossi** and **Kristen Schmaelzle**. Throughout the ceremony, faculty, students, friends, and family alike were entertained by the members of the Agawam High School Combined Chorus and Concert Band. Under the direction of Mr. Scott Thomson (Band) and Mr. Stephen Files (Chorus), these talented students made the atternoon that much more memorable.

After the speeches were all said and done, it was time for the Class of 1994 to receive their diplomas from Mayor Christopher Johnson, Assistant Principals Mrs. Gabrielle Charest and Mr. David Bates. Before the day's events came to a close, the Senior Class Officers (Slate, Vice President Nicole DeCosmo, Secretary Laura Asta-Ferrero, and Treasurer Rose Pignatare) presented Senior Class Advisor Jeffrey Corbin with a gift from the entire graduating class.

The American Intercultural Program students (AFS) were the last to take the stage to accept their diplomas. These students included Martin Asp, Sweden; Celeste Arraztoa, Chile; Yvonne Hodel, Switzerland; Joana Monteiro-Grillo, Portugal; and Alena Rusava, Czech Republic. Also, Jose Ricaurte from Ecuador, another of the foreign exchange students, received his diploma with the AFS students.

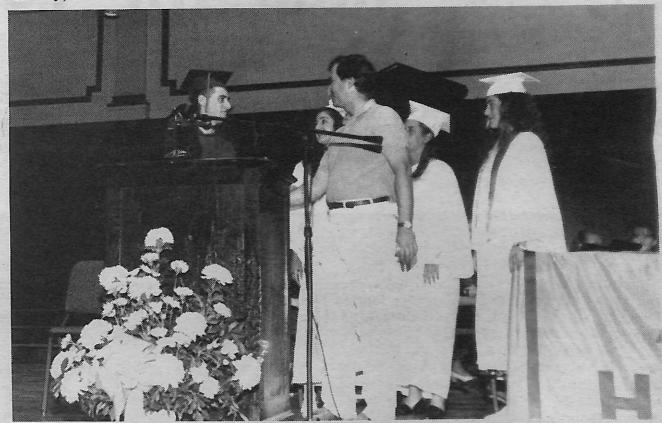
So concluded the 1994 graduation ceremony and a new chapter will soon begin for all of the members of the Class of 1994.

Best wishes to the AHS Class of '94!





JUNIOR CLASS MARSHALS Kristen Schmaelzle and Jason Rossi lead the Agawam High School Class of 1994 into Springfield Symphony Hall during Commencement Exercises on Sunday, June 5th. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



UPON RECEIVING A GIFT from the entire Class of 1994, senior Class Advisor Jeffrey Corbin shakes the hand of Class President Steven Slate, as Vice President Nicole DeCosmo, Secretary Laura Asta-Ferrero, and Treasurer Rose Pignatare look on. Advertiser News photo by Jack



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL BAND, under the direction of Scott Thomson (far right), provided the musical accompaniment for the recent Commencement Exercises. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



Graduation Section 1994 - continued...

The Agawam High School Class Of 1994

•Dana M. Adams, Meghan Valentina Albano, Brian John Anderson, Carolyn Ann Angelini, ★•Amy Ruth Annino, *Kathleen Marie Arenstam, Maria Celeste Arraztoa, Martin Asp, *Laura Ann Asta-Ferrero, Benjamin Kenneth Auld, Thomas Joseph Aussant, Jr., Erika L. Bellame, ★•Matthew John Bellico, *Christopher Roy Benjamin, Ryan Edward Bennett, *Suzanne H. Bergeron, •Kathleen M. Berry, *Joseph C. Bianca, Cheleste Lynn Bishop, Gregory Thomas Borecki.

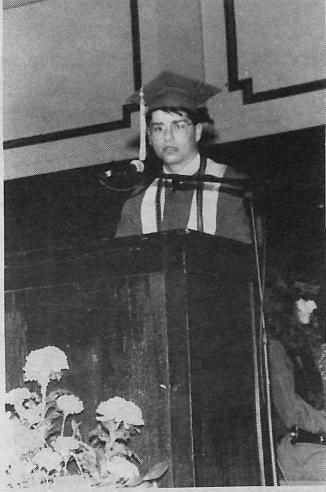
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*Michelle Suzanne Duquette,
*Michelle Lynn Dutton, •Karen
Elizabeth Eaton, Sadiq Antione Elias,
Christopher Thomas Fay, Matthew Carl
Felix, *Lisa A. Ferioli, Jennifer Marie
Ferrara, Andrea Lynn Ferrari, Robert P.
Finck, Michael Jeffrey Fisher, Elizabeth
Erin Fleury, •Marie Andrea Fortier,
Heather Elaine Franco, Kerry Rebecca
Gagne, Jamie Lynn Gaudette, Christine
M. Ghareeb, Daniel Charles Gilbert,
*Kevin Douglas Gillette, *Jason Matthew
Gilmartin, Jamie Giordano, *Janeena Joy
Giordano, Alexander E. Gomez.

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AMONG THE SPEAKERS at Agawam High School's Commencement Exercises at Springfield Symphony Hall were Class of 1994 Valedictorian Michael Rose and Salutatorian Jamie Lewis. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



THE SINGING TALENTS of AHS's Combined Chorus, under the direction of Stephen Files (center), provided some heart-stirring moments during the Commencement Exercises. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

•Tiffany Ellen Maleshefski.

Dominic Daniel Maloni, Jenni Lynn Manfredi, *Jennifer J. Mangano, •Eric Paul Mastroianni, Michael E. McCormick, Jennifer Ann McElligott, Kimberly Jean McKay, Pauline Jean McNamee, •Michelle Ann Mercadante, Erin Elizabeth Mercolino, Jill Ellen Miller, Joana Ferreira Queimado Monteiro-Grillo, *Daniel Francis Moriarty, Michael Alan Morrissey, •Jesse Jordan Mueller, Steven E. Munley, Laura Irene Mutti, Ryan E. Nading, John J. O'Brien, III, David Michael O'Quinn, Bret Paul Pajer.

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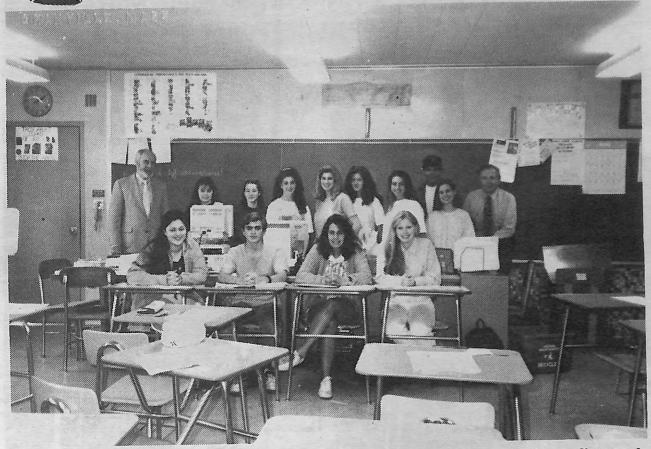
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*designates Pro Merito status;
* designates Renaissance status.



Graduation Section 1994 - continued...



MEMBERS of AHS's "Quill and Scroll," a newly-formed honor society for journalists, and their faculty advisors, Larry O'Brien and David Pulaski. Photo courtesy of David Pulaski.



VALEDICTORIAN Michael Rose receives a Hartwick College scholarship award from his physics teacher Arthur Gage. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Michael Rose Named "Outstanding Physics Student" At AHS

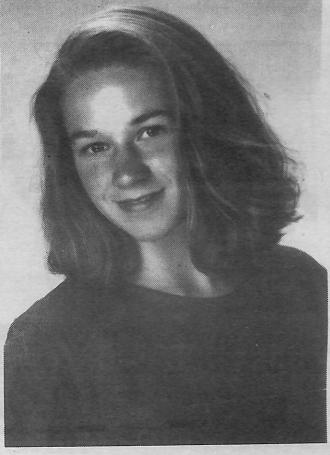
Michael K. Rose has been selected as the "Outstanding Physics Student" for the 1993-94 school year at Agawam High School. Mr. Arthur Gage, physics teacher at AHS, presented him with a certificate from the American Association of Physics Teachers at AHS's awards ceremony held

Thursday, June 2nd.

Michael is the son of Raymond J. Rose, Jr., of 658 South West Street, Feeding Hills, MA.

The American Association of Physics Teachers

The American Association of Physics Teachers was founded over 60 years ago to encourage excellence in physics teaching and has approximately 11,000 members in the United States and abroad. To recognize outstanding work of physics students, the Association provides a yearly certificate to the best physics student in the school. Starting this fall, Michael will be majoring in physics and minoring in art at Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York. Moreover, the college recently named Michael as the recipient of an academic merit scholarship (Abraham Kellogg Scholarship), and Mr. Gage—an alumnus of Hartwick—also presented Michael with this \$14,000 renewable grant.



KATHLEEN M. BERRY

Kathleen Berry To Attend Siena College

Kathleen Berry, daughter of John and Marie Berry of 41 Morningside Circle, Feeding Hills, will be attending Siena College in Loudenville, New York, as a freshman fall. commencing in the fall.

Kathleen was vice president of the National Honor Society, a member of the field hockey team for four years, girls' lacrosse team for two years, was layout editor for the High School yearbook, a member of AFS for two years, taught CCD classes at Sacred Heart Church, and was a tutor in Spanish through Agawam High School.

In addition, she was a recipient of academic awards for Renaissance, and Citizenship, and received scholarships from the Field Hockey Booster Club, the Bingo Committee of the Polish American Club of Agawam, the Women's Auxiliary of the Polish American Club, and Siena College.

Have a safe, happy, and memorable summer vacation!!!

AHS Now Has "Quill And Scroll" Honor **Society For Journalists**

by Kathy Cassanelli **News Editor**

In April, English teacher Larry O'Brien and math teacher Dave Pulaski teamed up to bring an honor society for high school journalists to Agawam

High School.

The Quill and Scroll is an international honor society (for juniors and seniors in the top third of their class scholastically) who have contributed superior work to their student publications.
For the past two years, O'Brien, as the advisor

to the MIRROR, has seen to it that outstanding seniors on the newspaper's staff received honor pins from the University of Iowa sponsored society at the Annual AHS Senior Awards Night.

Working with Pulaski, the advisor to the SACHEM Yearbook, O'Brien decided to bring the Quill and Scroll to AHS for the top staff members of the school's three student publications.

This year honor cords and pins were awarded

This year, honor cords and pins were awarded to the seniors who'd made outstanding contribu-tions to the Mirror, the Unicorn, and Sachem.

Must Be Recommended

In addition to the scholastic and journalistic requirements for membership in the honor society, students must be recommended for membership in Quill and Scroll by the publication advisor and the governing committee consisting of the officers of the club.

Sophomores may be initiated to the Quill and Scroll during the final marking period of the year with their membership becoming effective at the

beginning of their junior year.

An induction dinner for this year's membership was held at the Spaghetti Warehouse on May 19th. Officers for this year's Quill and Scroll were Andrew Clark, president, Amanda Sunny, vice-president, Michelle Dutton, secretary, and Alison Jean, treasurer.

The members of the newly formed AHS Chapter of the Quill and Scroll are Jamie Lewis (Sachem); Rena Chicklas (Mirror, Sachem); Michelle Dutton (Sachem); Karen Eaton (Sachem); Marie Fortier (Mirror); Todd Zern (Sachem); Alison Jean

(Sachem); Kerry Thompson (Sachem).

John Hogan (Mirror); Amy Annino (Mirror);
Amanda Sunny (Mirror); Rose Pignatare (Sachem);
Michelle Mercadante (Sachem); Dana Adams (Mirror); Liea Forioli (Mirror); Karon Book (Unicor); ror); Lisa Ferioli (Mirror); Karen Root (Unicorn); Rob Settembro (Sachem); Sharon Jacapraro (Mirror); Sara Kendall (Unicorn); Jeremy Spring (Sachem, Unicorn); Karen Prendergast (Sachem).

Congratulations, Kim!

You're Wonderful! Good Luck At Bryant



Love, Mom, Chris, Dad Nani & Na



Senior Class President Steven Slate Recalls "Memorable" Term Of Office

by Holly Pevzner Advertiser News Staff



BETH LACIENSKI smiles upon receiving her diploma from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON shakes the hand of 1994 AHS graduate Kevin Willard. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KIM HAYES receives her diploma from School Committee Vice-Chairperson Linda Galarneau. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

When picturing a high school class president, one's thoughts turn to those overachieving, National Honors, straight-A students.

But as Agawam High Class of 1994 President Steven Slate proved, that stereotype is not always

Toward the end of his junior year, the unlikely candidate took everybody by surprise, including himself. The usual route for prospective candidates would be morning announcements over the public address system and the occasional poster tacked up in AHS's barren halls. Not so in Steven's case.

He made up fliers, buttons, and stickers in order to promote himself—something Agawam High hasn't seen in a long time. When asked why he put such an interesting twist in the usual class election process, Steven replied, "Nobody ever did anything (before). I wanted to add a bit of oldfashioned competition to the election.

All of this heavy campaigning paid off in a big way. Steven won the Senior Class Presidency by a landslide ... but not without his share of controver-

Early on in Steven's reign, a handful of his classmates wanted to impreach their newlyelected president. The students claimed his lessthan-stellar grades as their main reason. The quest for impeachment fell through, however, when the needed 150 signatures were not obtained. This controversy seems to have left Steven rather unscathed. "It was meant as a joke," he told The AAN.

What exactly does the president of the Senior Class do? Well, Steven—in tandem with Vice-President Nicole DeCosmo, Secretary Laura Asta-Ferrero, Treasurer Rose Pignatare, and Senior Class Advisor Jeffrey Corbin-planned all of the senior events.

These events included the Kid Party (a costume party held in the AHS cafeteria), the Semi-Formal and Prom, and the Senior Picnic and Breakfast.

All of the class officers were also in charge of raising money so their class could enjoy all of these activities. The funds were pulled in through the sale of tickets to dances, a car wash, a volleyball tournament, and a few candy sales.

Steven's Other Activities

When Steven isn't playing class president, he keeps himself busy as a disc jockey. He used to DJ for the radio station at Western New England College; although he is no longer at the WNEC radio station, he still turns the records at parties

from Agawam to Springfield.

Besides the turntables, Steven has taken a liking to theater. Though he had not taken the stage at any AHS productions, he was a part of Margo Poulin's theater classes at the school. Hopefully, Steven will be able to continue with

his love of the theater in college. Right now, he is aiming to continue his education at Point Park in Pennsylvania, with a major in film.

Looking back at his year as class president,



SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT Steven Slate addresses his fellow 1994 graduates. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Steven seems pretty neutral, saying, "It was an experience." While Steven is glad that he was the "head of the class," he wished that he could have done more: "I knew I'd definitely be very capable I thought I could do the job as good or better (than anyone else).

Has his Presidency changed Steven at all, or has the class changed because of him? Steven thinks a little of both.

As he said in his speech on Graduation Day, "The class of '94 is finally moving in the right direction, and all I'm asking is that you don't give up. If you observed people at all over the past couple of years, then you've learned enough to get by in the 'real world.' But don't just get by, strive for perfection...

And, Steven says that he has left his classmates with hope—the hope that their change will continue, the hope that they have the courage to be their own person. Perhaps, wonders Steven, he played a role in that.

Steven is not one of many words, and he simply would like his fellow graduates to remember him "as myself; as an individual."



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON congratulates 1994 graduate Dana Adams Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ABOUT TO RECEIVE her diploma from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson is Carmelina DeCaro. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AHS's 1994 SACHEM Yearbook Has Many "Changes"

by Kathy Cassanelli News Editor

From first page to last, the 1994 edition of the Agawam High School Yearbook SACHEM explores its theme of "Changes" with imagination, creativity, and wit.

Designed by senior **Michael Rose**, the cover hints at the changes waiting inside. Inspired by Maurits Escher's "Night Into Day," the front cover depicts an aerial view of AHS and surrounding landmarks become a negative image on the back cover

The cover design has been nominated for inclusion in the Taylor Publishing Company's annual publication, *The Yearbook Yearbook*.

According to Yearbook Advisor David Pulaski, "Changes" reflects not only changes in the lives of the students over their school years, but changes in the layout and design of the yearbook itself.
Pulaski credited Editor-in-Chief Jamie Lewis as

Pulaski credited Editor-in-Chief Jamie Lewis as the creative force behind many of the innovations in the yearbook and as the driving force behind implementing changes. "Jamie was excellent," Pulaski said. "She was willing to bite the bullet and say this is the year we're going to do it."

3-D Effect

The flat look of photos on a plain white page has been replaced by a complex 3-D effect; special logos mark each section of the book and the color photos of the Senior Section are set into a marblized background for dramatic effect.

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This year, the class will has been eliminated.

"It's considered passe," Pulaski explained.

However, the senior captions provided grads with

an opportunity to make bequests as well as recount the highlights of their school careers.

From cover to cover, the yearbook staff developed the theme of change with pages devoted to the changes brought to AHS with the arrival of Russell Furtado as the new principal; a brief look at 1,000 years of change that spanned the discovery of gunpowder to the Watergate break-in, and a re-vamped format for the Class Ballot Box with artwork by **Michelle Dutton**.

Ballot Box with artwork by Michelle Dutton.

Under the leadership of Editor-in-Chief Jamie Lewis and Associated Editors Nicole Racicot and Michelle Dutton, the yearbook staff met each of the deadlines thereby earning bonus points with the publishing company that will help contain costs on the 1995 yearbook.

Students Efforts Help Contain Cost
Pulaski said he was able to keep the cost of
SACHEM so low (\$20) partly due to the fact that
the students do such a great job. The publishers
offer a reduced rate because the quality of the
work turned in by the AHS Yearbook staff leaves
them with little to do.

Also, Pulaski said the cost is kept reasonable through the sale of advertising space in the Year-book and with the help of West Springfield photographer Walt Steinmetz.

"Mr. Pulaski and his staff should be commended for their hard work, diligence, attention to detail, and commitment," according to Paul J. Delaney, Jr., of the Taylor Publishing Company. Literary Editor Rena Chicklas, along with staff

writers Andrew Clark, Karen Eaton, and Todd Zern, tried hard to keep yearbook readers informed and entertained using as few words as possible

Under the direction of Layout Editor Rose Pignatare, staffers Katie Berry, Jeremy Spring, and Nicole DeCosmo had the painstaking task of putting together and designing the complex pages making up a major part of the "Changes" in SACHEM.

As the yearbook's photography staff, Katie Poulos, Dina Ciarmatori, Tammy Leary, Kerry Thompson, and Karen Prendergast had the responsibility for getting candid shots as well as photos of each club, sport, or special event beginning in the spring of their junior year.

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Tiffany Maleshefski, Maura Paton, Mike Knodler, and Alison Jean hit the pavement selling ads to parents, school groups, and local businesses, while business staffers Rob Settembro and Kim Hayes were responsible for collecting on yearbook orders and keeping track of the funds

The job of compiling statistics on every Brownie sports team fell to sports staffers Cyndi Stone and Michelle Mercadante.

Among her many duties, executive secretary **Erinn Wynne** was responsible for posting the Photo of the Day and for keeping "Mr. P." organized.

Foreign Exchange Students Bid AHS A Fond "Adieu"







RICHARD M. SARDELLA, editor/publisher of *The Agawam Advertiser News* and president of the Agawam Chapter of AFS (American Intercultural Programs), hands diplomas to graduating AFS students Maria Celeste Arraztoa (left), Yvonne Hodel (center), and Alena Rusava (right). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.







FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS Martin Asp (left), Joana Monteiro-Grillo, and Jose Ricaurte (right) accept their AHS diplomas from AAN editor/publisher Richard M. Sardella, who is also the president of Agawam's AFS Chapter. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

1994 SACHEM SAYS THANKS!



We, the Agawam High School yearbook staff, would like to thank the following businesses and families for purchasing advertising space in our 1994 SACHEM. We greatly appreciate your support and acceptance. A heartfelt thanks and best wishes for a prosperous summer...

Sincerely, Jamie Lewis, Editor David Pulaski, Advisor

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With Their Diplomas Almost In Hand...







MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON congratulates Dina DiTomaso (left), Chad Boucher (center), and Tina Longo (right) during Agawam High School's Commencement Exercises at Springfield Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.







ABOUT TO RECEIVE their Agawam High School diplomas from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson are Brian Cogswell (left), Karlene Papadakis (center), and Cory Chianciola (right). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



A VIEW OF SOME OF AHS's graduating seniors during Commencement Exercises on Sunday, June 5th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON offers his best wishes to graduate Erin Mercolino. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



Graduation Day ... At Last!!!

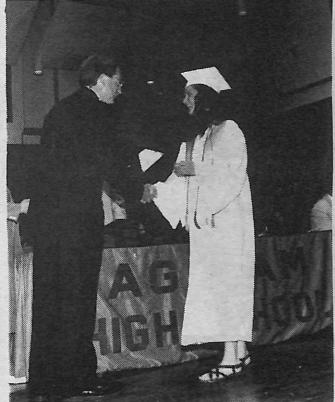






MAYOR CHRISTOPHER C. JOHNSON congratulates Class of '94 graduates Dina Ciarmatori (left), Rena Chicklas (center), and Joe Scherpa (right) during AHS's Commencement Exercises. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.







IN LEFT PHOTO, School Committee member Susan Pettazzoni bestows a diploma and flowers on her graduating daughter, Erin Pettazzoni. IN CENTER AND RIGHT PHOTOS, Mayor Christopher C. Johnson shakes hands with graduates Lisa Savioli and Chris Demastrie. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.







RECEIVING THEIR DIPLOMAS from Mayor Christopher C. Johnson are members of Agawam High School's latest graduating class - Holly Deyo (left), Matt Felix (center), and Jamie Giordano (right). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



Awards Night For Class Of 1994 (Held June 2nd, 1994)

1994 LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION— GENERAL

Christopher Benjamin, Dominic Maloni, Jennifer

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION— PHYLLIS M. MASON

Alison Jean

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION— ROBERT F. HERSEY, PRESIDENTIAL Beth Lacienski

BASEBALL BOOSTER

Thomas Aussant, Jeffrey Campbell, Christopher DeMastrie, Eric Mastroianni, Daniel Moriarty, John O'Brien, Brian Pellegrino.

BOYS' BASKETBALL PARENTS' ASSOCIATION Jeffrey Ciempa, Michael Knodler, Michael Ryan, Steven Wegrzyn, Michael Young.
CHEERLEADER BOOSTER CLUB

Elizabeth Fleury

GIRLS' BASKETBALL BOOSTER CLUB Alison Jean, Michelle Mercadante, Lisa Savioli.
GIRLS' FIELD HOCKEY BOOSTER CLUB

Kathleen Berry, Brenda Borkosky, Michelle Dutton, Jennifer Goodfellow, Kimberly Hayes, Jamie Lewis, Tiffany Maleshefski, Debra Parslow, Rose Pignatare, Kathryn Poulos, Dina Scirpo, Gina Serra, Kerry Thompson, Erinn Wynne. GIRLS' GYMNASTICS BOOSTER CLUB

Janeena Giordano, Beth Lacienski, Tammy Leary. GIRLS' SOFTBALL BOOSTER CLUB

Laura Asta-Ferrero, Brenda Borkosky, Maryann Cimma, Kerry Gagne, Jamie Giordano, Catherine Greene, Alison Jean, Cynthia Liszka, Michelle Mer-cadante, April Rapa, Cynthia Stone. GRIDIRON PARENTS

Benjamin Auld, Christopher Benjamin, Joseph Bianca, Joshua Brosseau, Jeffrey Campbell, Stephen Decoteau, Christopher DeMastrie, Robert Finck, John Hogan, Robert Kunkel, Steven Lanier, Daniel Moriarty, Brian Pellegrino, Michael Young.
HOCKEY PARENTS

Cory Chianciola, Eric Mastroianni, Daniel Moriarty,

Bret Pajer, Paul Shannon.
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TRACK-PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

Christopher Parigners' Association

Christopher Benjamin, Joseph Bianca, Nicole DeCosmo, Dyan Deluce, Elizabeth Fleury, Janeena Giordano, Daniel Moriarty, Erin Pettazzoni, Rose Pignatare, Michael Ryan, Josef Scherpa, Christopher Wilkie, Joseph Willis

WRESTLING BOOSTER CLUB Chad Boucher, Alexander Gomez, David Virella, Kevin Willard.

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS BARBARA SKOLNICK

Laura Asta-Ferrero, Todd Zern. CLIFFORD M. GRANGER P.T.O.

Marie Fortier, Lisa Savioli.
FRANK MAZZA SCHOLARSHIP (SPONSORED BY **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY)**

Rena Chicklas, Gary Duhour **FUTURÉ TEÁCHERS OF AMERICA**

BENJAMIN J. PHELPS P.T.O. John Hogan, Sharon Jacapraro, Carlyn Pawlikowski, Dina Scirpo

JAMES CLARK SCHOOL P.T.O. Jamie Lewis, Debra Parslow

JAMES H. LOOMIS, JR. Michael Rose.

JANE O'MALLEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND Andrew Clark, Rose Pignatare.
MIDDLE SCHOOL P.T.O.

Michelle Dutton, Jamie Lewis, Michael Rose, Josef Scherpa, Todd Zern.
WILLIAM J. MILLER SCHOLARSHIP

(SPONSORED BY B.J. PHELPS P.T.O.)

Michael Knodler, Rose Pignatare. **TOWN SCHOLARSHIPS AGAWAM COMMUNITY ARTISTS**

Michael Rose **AGAWAM WOMEN'S CLUB**

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB OF AGAWAM Jeffrey Ciempa, Kimberly Hayes, Sharon Jacapraro, Rose Pignatare.

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THE GERALD MASON SCHOLARSHIP was presented to Cyndi Stone by AAA president Robert Hersey. Advertiser News photo by Jack



ROBERT HERSEY presents the AAA Presidential Scholarship to Beth Lacienski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ALISON JEAN receives the Phyllis Mason Scholarship from Kate Martin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



MICHAEL KNODLER is presented with the Nicholas Lasky Scholarship by Mike Martin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AAA SCHOLARSHIP recipients Christopher Benjamin, Jennifer McElligott, and Dominic Maloni with AAA president Bob Hersey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JOSEPH T. WILLIS receives the Agawam Women's Club Scholarship from club president Elaine M. Smith. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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EXPOSITION AREA ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Yolanda Ciarmatori, Maryann Cimma.
COMMUNITY GRANGE NO. 382 Matthew Bellico, Maura Paton.
DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE

Thompson, Joseph Willis FEEDING HILL'S WOMEN'S CLUB

Christopher Benjamin, Nicole Sawyer. **GARDEN CLUB** Michelle Dutton HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

Matthew Bellico **JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB** Suzanne Bergeron, Andrew Clark, Michelle Dutton, Ryan Harlin, Alison Jean, Eric Jorgensen, Jamie Lewis,

Jennifer McElligott, Kerry Thompson. LIONESS CLUB Maryann Cimma, Nicole DeCosmo, Elizabeth Feury. LIONS CLUB

Rena Chicklas, Andrew Clark, Marie Fortier.
LIONS CLUB— Frederick T. Dacey

Karen Eaton.

LIONS CLUB-Helen Hardina, Nursing

Amy Annine MUNICIPAL SCHOLARSHIP

Rena Chicklas, Karen Eaton, Marie Fortier, Jamie

PARK WEST BANK & TRUST CO.

Kimberly Hayes.
BINGO COMMITTEE OF THE POLISH AMERICAN CLUB OF AGAWAM

Kathleen Berry, Christopher DeMastrie, Alison Jean. Timothy LeDoux, Jennifer McElligott, Rose Pignatare, Kathryn Poulos, Michael Rose WOMEN'S AUXILIARY OF THE

POLISH AMERICAN CLUB Kathleen Berry, Alison Jean, Rose Pignatare, Kathryn Poulos.

UNICO-AGAWAM CHAPTER Amy Annino, Matthew Bellico, Christopher DeMastrie, Marie Fortier, Jamie Lewis, Rose Pignatare.

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS AGAWAM EDUCATION ASSOCIATION-DAVID THEODOROWICZ

Michelle Dutton AGAWAM EDUCATION ASSOCIATION— 21 WEEK CLUB

Jamie Lewis ANDERSON-MORIN MEMORIAL

Daniel Moriarty, Nicole Racicot. ANGELA M. SCHERPA MEMORIAL Rena Chicklas.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION-**GERALD MASON MEMORIAL**

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION— **NICHOLAS LASKY MEMORIAL** Michael Knodler.

BAND SCHOLARSHIP Steven Munley, Robert Settembro.
CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—NICHOLAS

BAND PARENTS/LISA M. ZIEGERT

AND MARIE ZUCCO MEMORIAL Annino, Joshua Brosseau.

CHRISTÓPHER KINSELLA MEMORIAL DIANA WILLARD HALL MEMORIAL

Rena Chicklas **EUGENE CARRIER MEMORIAL**

Ryan Harlin, April Rapa.
EXPOSITION AREA ALUMNI

SCHOLARSHIP FUND—LIBBY BOIDA/PAI SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD Rose Pignatare.

EXPOSITION AREA ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP FUND—THOMAS GAMELLI MEMORIAL AWARD Yolanda Ciarmatori

GLADYS CATCHEPAUGH MEMORIAL-**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NO. 185** Kerry Thompson

GOLDEN AGE CLUB— **CHAPTER II MEMORIAL** Angela Dean, Kevin Gillette

HANK DREWNOWSKI MEMORIAL Christopher Benjamin, Daniel Moriarty HARMON A. SMITH MEMORIAL

Michael Knodler. JILL STEFANIK MEMORIAL Eric Jorgensen

JOHN M. LAZAZZERA **HOCKEY MEMORIAL**

Eric Mastroianni KAREN L. BUFFINGTON-DELPESCHIO MEMORIAL Michael Rose

LEONARD DESROSIERS MEMORIAL—HOCKEY Daniel Moriarty.

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AGAWAM CITY OFFICIALS, Agawam High School administrators, and faculty members at the AHS Awards Night on Thursday, June 2nd. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE Scholarships were awarded to Joe Willis and Kerry Thompson by committee members Tom Leahey and Barbara Dunn. Advertiser News photo by Jack



AT STORROWTON TAVERN in West Springfield, Agawam Lioness Club president Rosemarie Kieffer presents the club's annual scholarships to Maryann Cimma. Nicole DeCosmo, and Beth Fleury. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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LISA M. ZIEGERT MEMORIAL Yolanda Ciarmatori.

MARSHA BADER MEMORIAL

Eric Mastroianni MARY O'KEEFE MEMORIAL

Elizabeth Fleury

MINNIE BARDEN MEMORIAL

Brenda Borkosky, Lisa Ferioli.
P. JOSEPH CURRAN MEMORIAL Robert Settembro.

ROTARY CLUB OF AGAWAM-RAY MCCARROLL MEMORIAL

Michelle Dutton, Jamie Lewis. THEODORO (LAKI) PANANAS MEMORIAL

Richard Gosselin THOMAS DALMOLIN **MEMORIAL—HOCKEY**

Eric Mastroianni, Daniel Moriarty, Paul Shannon. TIMOTHY SUNSTROM MEMORIAL Dyan Deluce, Daniel Moriarty, Josef Scherpa.

ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY OF SACRED HEART CHURCH-ROSE MERCADANTE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Rose Pignatare, Marie Fortier.

THERESA CALABRESE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Janeena Giordano.

1994 AWARDS PROGRAM ART DEPARTMENT

EXCELLENCE IN DRAWING AND PAINTING

Kelly Connor, Kimberly McKay, Michael Rose. EXCELLENCE IN POTTERY Pauline McNamee, Michael Rose, Steven Slate,

Christy Wiles. HIGHEST ACADEMIC AVERAGE FOR ART SURVEY

Jennifer Mangano. HIGHEST ACADEMIC AVERAGE FOR THE HISTORY OF PAINTING

Kimberly McKay THE MOST CREATIVE DRAWING AND PAINTING STUDENT

Michael Powers THE MOST IMPROVED ART

STUDENT OVER THREE YEARS Donald Raines

BUSINESS EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTING I

Martin Asp, Christopher Demastrie. **ACCOUNTING III**

Kimberly Hayes **KEYBOARDING II**

Suzanne Bergeron. **BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES** Karen Root, Linda Labonte.

WORD PROCESSING I AND II Jessyca Cope, Shannon Letendre, Nicole Sawyer. WORD PROCESSING I

Suzanne Bergeron, Carmelina DeCaro, Tara Delucchi, Dina DiTomaso, Linda Labonte, Dina Scirpo, Susan Wenzell

WORD PROCESSING II

Heather Zielenski. **DESKTOP PUBLISHING**

Tara Delucch

FOOD MART AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING BUSINESS STUDENTS Karen Root, Christopher Wilkie.
DAR-AMERICAN HISTORY

Alison Jean.

GOOD CITIZENSHIP

Matthew Bellico, Kathleen Berry, Rena Chicklas, Yolanda Ciarmatori, Michelle Dutton, Richard Gosselin, Angela Hayward, Michael Knodler, Linda Labonte, Jamie Lewis, Tiffany Maleshefski, Eric Mastroianni, Rose Pignatare, Kathryn Poulos, April Rapa, Michael Rose, Lisa Savioli, Robert Settembro, Amanda Sunny.

HOMÉ ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Jessyca Cope, Christine Ghareeb, Janeena Giordano, Angela Hayward, Linda Labonte, Pauline McNamee, Michael Powers, Karen Prendergast

MEAL PLANNING AND PREPARATION Deana Bracci, Daniel Moriarty.
HONOR CORDS AND ACHIEVEMENT PINS

Michael Rose.
BUSINESS EDUCATION

Kimberly Hayes.
COMPUTER SCIENCE

Andrew Clark. **ENGLISH**

Rena Chicklas. FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Rena Chicklas.
HOME ECONOMICS

Angela Hayward.

MATHEMATICS

Michael Rose.

Steven Munley.

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AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL P.T.O. Scholarship recipients Joe Scherpa, Michael Rose, Michelle Dutton, Jamie Lewis, and Todd Zern with P.T.O. member Kathy Mouneimneh (center). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



KEVIN D. GILLETTE AND ANGELA R. DEAN receive Agawam Golden Age Club-Chapter II Memorial Scholarships from club treasurer Ernest C. Swanson (far left) and president Louis V. Scherpa (far right). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AHS VALEDICTORIAN Michael Rose (center) was the proud recipient of the Major General Delk M. Oden Scholarship, in honor of Agawam native General Creighton W. Abrams. Presenting Michael with the scholarship are veterans of the U.S. Army's 704th Tank Destroyer Battalion: Richard Bowman, Walter J. Swiatlowski, Pat Conte, Larry Dolan, John F. Wolfe, and Henry A. Proto. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Michael Rose.

SCIENCE

Michael Rose.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Rena Chicklas

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Michael Campion.

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT MATHEMATICS

Michael Rose, Todd Zern MATH CLUB

Jeffrey Ciempa, Nicole DeCosmo, Richard Gosselin, John Hogan, Michael Knodler, Tammy Leary, Timothy LeDoux, Tiffany Maleshefski, Eric Mastroianni, Nicole Racicot, April Rapa

MATH TEAM

Andrew Clark, Nicole DeCosmo, Richard Gosselin,

Timothy LeDoux, Rose Pignatare.
MUSIC DEPARTMENT JOHN PHILIP SOUSA BAND AWARD

DAVID THEODOROWICZ AWARD FOR BAND

LOUIS ARMSTRONG JAZZ AWARD

Steven Munley.
WOODY HERMAN JAZZ AWARD

Michael McCormick
NATIONAL ARION AWARD FOR BAND Sean Rose

NATIONAL SCHOOL CHORAL AWARD Karlene Papadakis, Linda Labonte.
QUILL AND SCROLL INTERNATIONAL HONOR

SOCIETY FOR HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISTS Dana Adams, Amy Annino, Rena Chicklas, Andrew Clark, Tara Delucchi, Michelle Dutton, Karen Eaton, Lisa Ferioli, Marie Fortier, John Hogan, Sharon Jacapraro, Alison Jean, Sara Kendall, Jamie Lewis, Michelle Mercadante, Rose Pignatare, Karen Prendergast, Karen Root, Lisa Savioli, Robert Settembro, Amanda Sunny, Kerry Thompson, Todd Zern. ENGLISH

EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH

Andrew Clark, Karen Eaton, Jose Ricaurte, Kerry Thompson.

MILDRED REED ENGLISH

Yolanda Ciarmatori.

RENAISSANCE Amy Annino, Matthew Bellico, Rena Chicklas, Andrew Clark, Michelle Dutton, Lisa Ferioli, Sharon Jacapraro, Alison Jean, Tammy Leary, Jamie Lewis, Maura Paton, Rose Pignatare, Kathryn Poulos, Nicole

Racicot, Lisa Savioli. CERTIFICATE OF MERIT/ NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Rena Chicklas, Michael Rose CHILD DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Sharon Jacapraro. LOWER PIONEER VALLEY EDUCATIONAL COLLABORATIVE VOCATIONAL TECH CENTER MOST IMPROVED FOOD

MOST IMPROVED HORTICULTURE

STUDENT OF THE YEAR **HORTICULTURAL/LANDSCAPING** Wayne Ziemba.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Agawam High School would like to publicly thank E. Cecchi Farms of Springfield Street, Agawam, for their generous donation of flowers that were used to decorate AHS's auditorium stage on Awards Night [Thursday, June



THE RAY MCCARROLL Memorial Scholarships were presented to the following 1994 graduates from Agawam and West Springfield: Michelle Dutton and Jamie Lynn Lewis of Agawam High School, and David Gasperack and Sarah Hershel of West Springfield High

Ray McCarroll Scholarship Winners For 1994

The Ray McCarroll Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Agawam, has been awarded to four area high school students.

Two of the students selected from a group of over 80 applicants were recent graduates of Agawam High School. The AHS winners of the \$500 scholarship are: Jamie Lynn Lewis, daughter of James and Phyllis Lewis; and Michelle Dutton,

daughter of Lary and Mary Dutton.
Also selected were two area residents attending West Springfield High School: Sarah Hershel, daughter of Raymond and Maureen Hershel; and David Gasperack, son of Gary and Barbara

The selected applicants excelled in many areas and were interviewed by Scholarship Committee members Jerry Adams, Andy Campbell, and Ken Raffol. Chairman Jerry Adams said, "It's a rigorous process for both the applicants and the committee members. Virtually all of the kids who apply deserve the scholarship. You have to eliminate some pretty bright kids to get down to the four you've selected."

The scholarship was created in honor of the late Ray McCarroll. Ray lived in West Springfield and was a manager of the Food Mart in Agawam. He was a charter member of the Agawam Rotary and was very supportive of both communities.

Agawam Unico Names Scholarship Winners

The members of Agawam Unico National, President Tom Coppola, and members of the Scholarship Committee (Chairman Walter Balboni, Attorney Richard Morassi, Attorney Thomas Martinelli, and Louis Russo), are pleased to announce the six recipients of this year's scholarship awards in the amount of \$300 to each recipient.

They are Jamie Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis of Garden Street; Rose Pignatare, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pignatare of Suffield Street; Marie Fortier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fortier of Pheasant Run Circle; Amy Annino, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Annino of Park Edge Drive; Matthew Bellico, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bellico of Park Edge Drive; and Christopher DeMastrie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan DeMastrie of Chestnut Lane.

In addition, the Brian Piccolo award is presented annually to an outstanding high school athlete of Italian heritage. This award, in memory of football star Brian Piccolo (a member of the Chicago Bears NFL football team who died of cancer at the height of his professional career), has been presented to Eric Mastroianni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mastroianni of Edgewood

This year, an Honorable Mention Brian Piccolo award has been presented to Nicole DeCosmo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. DeCosmo of Beekman

The annual awards from Agawam Unico National are based on academic excellence as well as personal achievements in school and community activities.

Agawam High School Class Of 1994 Honors Listing For Term 4

Amy Annino, Martin Asp, Laura Asta-Ferrero, Matthew Bellico, Kathleen Berry, Rena Chicklas, Jeffrey Ciempa, Andrew Clark, John Conant, Christine Cote, Nicole DeCosmo, Christopher DeMastrie, Dina DiTomaso, Michelle Dutton, Karen Eaton, Lisa Ferioli, Marie Fortier.

Kevin Gillette, Richard Gosselin, Kimberly Hayes, Yvonne Hodel, Sharon Jacapraro, Alison Jean, Eric Jorgensen, Michael Kisielewski, Michael Knodler, Linda LaBonte, Tammy Leary, Timothy LeDoux, Jamie Lewis, Jenni Manfredi, Eric Mastroianni.

David O'Quinn, Debra Parslow, Kathryn Poulos, Karen Prendergast, Nicole Racicot, Jose Ricaurte, Jennifer Rivers, Michael Rose, Alena Rusava, Lisa Savioli, Nicole Sawyer, Robert Settembro, Jeremy Spring, Christina Wojcik, Erinn Wynne, Todd Zern.

Congratulations to all of the scholarship and award winners from the Class of '94!

Ag. Junior Women's Club Presents 10 **AHS Scholarships**

The Agawam Junior Women's Club Scholarship Committee proudly presents scholarships to the following 10 1994 high school seniors.

Seven \$500 scholarships were awarded to Jamie Lewis, Suzanne Bergeron, Michelle Dutton, Amy Annino, Alison Jean, Andrew Clark, and Kerry Thompson on June 2nd at the Agawam High Schools' Award Night.

Three \$100 scholarships were awarded to Eric Jorgensen, Ryan Harlin, and Jennifer McElligott.

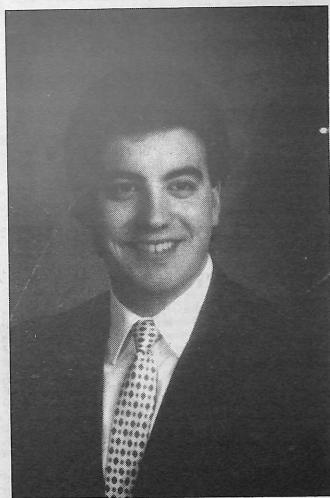
The Scholarship Committee judged these students on several categories such as community service, academic standing, extracurricular activities, future goals, and commitment. It was difficult to make a final decision since so many applicants were deserving of a scholarship.

The Club wishes the entire senior class the best in their future endeavors. The Agawam Junior Women's Club is a member of GFWC and the GFWC of Massachusetts.





TEACHERS TERESA MARTONE and GINA MALONEY were recently awarded Master's Degrees from Westfield State College.



JOHN WELCH

John Welch Earns Master's In Computer Science From UMass

John Welch, son of Barbara and John Welch of Nicole Terrace, Feeding Hills, received his master's degree in computer science on Saturday, May 21st, from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. While at UMass, John was a research assistant in the Software Development Laboratory, where he did his thesis work in concurrency analysis.

John graduated from Agawam High School in 1988, and from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1992 (with an bachelor of science in mathematics with computer science).

He has accepted a position with Andersen Consulting in its Boston office. Andersen Consulting is the leader in information technology consulting and has offices in 146 locations around the world.

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Mary Ann Sparveri Honored By U.S. **Achievement Academy**

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Mary Ann Sparveri has been named a United States Collegiate award winner in Medical Assisting. This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes less than 10% of all American college students.

Mary Ann. who graduated from Springfield

American college students.

Mary Ann, who graduated from Springfield Technical Community College on June 2nd, was nominated for this National Award by Marilyn Pooler, a professor at the school. Mary Ann will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Collegiate Yearbook, published nationally.

"Becognizing and supporting our youth is more

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly United States Achievement Academy award winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy

The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of professors, coaches, counselors, or other school sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student of the dent's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, en-thusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a pro-fessor or director.

Mary Ann has four children (Jennifer, Melissa, Joseph, and Sean) who reside with her in Agawam. She is the daughter of Mrs. Joan Rice and the late Robert J. Rice of East Hartford, Connecticut.

Jennifer A. Robinson Graduates From Univ. Of New Hampshire

Jennifer Ann Robinson, daughter of Ms. Cynthia A. Robinson of 64 Corey Colonial, Agawam, recently graduated from the University of New Hampshire with a bachelor of science degree. She majored in communication disorders, with a minor in health management.

While a student at the university, Jennifer was a SHARPP advocate. She also studied abroad in London, England.

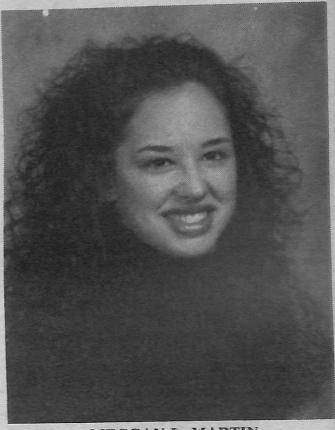
In the fall, Jennifer hopes to attend graduate school at the University of Connecticut to study speech pathology.

Local Teachers Earn Master's Degrees At Westfield State

On May 28th, Teresa Martone and Gina Maloney graduated from Westfield State College with Master's Degrees in Special Education.

Teresa Martone is employed in the Town of East Longmeadow as a kindergarten teacher. She is a member of the school council as well as the chairman of the kindergarten committee at Meadow Brook School.

Gina Maloney is employed in the Town of West Springfield as an Early Childhood teacher. She teaches an integrated preschool program at the John Ashley School.



MEGGAN L. MARTIN

Meggan L. Martin **Graduates From Syracuse University**

Mr. and Mrs. Philip P. Martin of 352 Adams Street, Agawam, are proud to announce the graduation of their daughter, Meggan L. Martin. She graduated cum laude from Syracuse University on May 8th, 1994, with a bachelor of science in textile design.

While at Syracuse, she was on the Dean's List for the last five consecutive semesters, and was a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society and the Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society. Due to her scholastic excellence, she was invited to attend the honors convocation, at which time she was the recipient of the Kappa Omicron Nu Scholar Award.

Megan was also an Academic Peer Advisor, guiding 11 freshmen through their first year at Syracuse. She was chosen to be the only undergraduate representative for the Tenure and Promotion Committee, where she deliberated with staff and tenured faculty on the status of cur-

During her senior year, she interned as a studio assistant to a designer of handwovens and was also a tutor for the Syracuse University Athletic Department. Her greatest fulfillment came from being an Educator for the Peer Sexuality Program.

After being a selected member of this program, she underwent extensive training on many issues of sexuality, including: HIV and AIDS, rape, body image, sexually transmitted diseases, heterosexism, birth control, intimate relationships, sexual

decision-making, and safer sex workshops.

This program is responsible for presenting workshops and facilitating discussion to the Syracuse University community. Megan was also personally responsible for coordinating and

overseeing many of these workshops.

After a year hiatus, she plans to attend graduate school to pursue a degree in art therapy.

The AAN offers its congratulations to all of the local college graduates!





WENDY PUDLO

Wendy Pudlo Earns Bachelor's Degree From Mt. Holyoke

Wendy T. Pudlo recently graduated from Mount Holyoke College cum laude. Wendy majored in psychology/education, and plans to continue her studies in the fall at Springfield College.

Wendy is the daughter of Ronald and Pamela Pudlo of 66 Liswell Drive, Feeding Hills.

Spfld. College Awards **Degrees To Locals**

Eight area residents were among the 1,104 Springfield College graduates who received their degrees during the college's recent 108th commencement.

mencement.
They include Scott D. Anderson, 198 Cambridge Street, Feeding Hills; Maryellen Balise, 17 Riverview Avenue, Agawam; Kong (Edwin) Chan, 39 Fordham Avenue, Feeding Hills; Pamela J. Freeman Brown, 1324 Main St., Agawam; Arthur E. Hastings, Jr., 131 North West Street, Feeding Hills; Amy J. Ringuette, 15 Porter Drive, Agawam; David J. Stratton, 120 Pineview Circle, Agawam; Karen E. Stuart, 12 Roberta Circle, Agawam.
Founded in 1885, Springfield College is a private institution of higher education with a total enrollment of 3,670 students. Situated on a 160-acre campus in western Massachusetts, the

160-acre campus in western Massachusetts, the college specializes in educating students for human helping careers in such organizations as the YMCA and the United Way.

It also offers programs in the allied health professions, ranging from physical therapy to cardiac rehabilitation.

Area Students Earn Degrees From Bay Path

The following students from Agawam and Feeding Hills were among the 192 graduates who earned degrees from Bay Path College during Commencement Exercises held Saturday, May

Tara Marie Brittain, daughter of Gail and Peter Brittain of Granger Drive, Feeding Hills, received an associate in science degree and was enrolled in the early childhood education program. A dean's list student, she received a Service Award

for leadership in campus organizations.

Carol Ann Gardner of Mill Street, Feeding Hills, received a bachelor of science in legal studies degree, magna cum laude. A Maroon Key Honor Society member and recipient of the President's Citation for consistent dean's list standing, she is the mother of Amanda Rachel and Richard L.

Tara Anne O'Brien, daughter of Elaine and John O'Brien of Pheasant Run Circle, Feeding Hills, received an associate in science degree and was enrolled in the travel administration program.

Dawn Marie Smelstor, daughter of Helaine and Joseph J. Smelstor III of Fernwood Drive, Agawam, received an associate in science degree and was enrolled in the early childhood education program. She plans to continue at Bay Path for a bachelor of arts degree in psychology/early childhood education.

Area Women Graduate From Elms College

The following local students received bachelor's degrees at Elms College in Chicopee on May 22nd:

From Agawam: Susan Gillen of 43 Hunter's Greene, majored in

Jean Landry of 24 Campbell Drive, majored in business management.

Brenda Loguidice of 11 Birch Hill Road, majored in interdepartmental studies. She has been named to Alpha Sigma Lambda, the continuing education honor society.

* From Feeding Hills:

Marjorie Robinson-Bessette of 148 Roosevelt Avenue, majored in nursing.

The following Agawam students earned associate of arts degrees at Elms College:

Catherine Alberti of 37 Hampden Lane, majored

paralegal studies. Judith DeCosmo of 182 Beekman Drive, majored in paralegal studies.

The following Elms College students earned graduate degrees at the recently held commencement exercises:
* From Agawam:

Rita Oleksak of 33 Peros Drive received the degree of master of arts in teaching, with concentration in Spanish.

Catherine Rourke of 22 Vadnais Street received the degree of master of arts in teaching, with concentration in elementary education.

From Feeding Hills:
Nora Lloyd of 127 Robin Ridge Drive received the degree of master of arts in teaching, with concentration in early childhood education.



KAREN STUART

Karen Stuart Earns Spfld. College Degree

Karen E. Stuart, the daughter of Mary Jane Stuart and the late Perry E. Stuart of Agawam, graduated from Springfield College with the degree of Bachelor of Science Cum Laude.

Karen, along with other students, was honored at a reception on May 6th for outstanding

academic achievements.

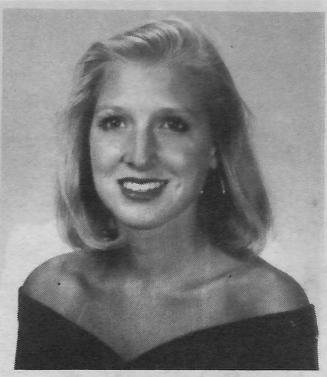
She plans to pursue a master's degree in occupational therapy. She has accepted a position in Randolph, Massachusetts working with brain injured children at the May Center for Education and Neurorehabilitation.

Christie J. Gaudreau Awarded Master's At Westfield State College

Christie J. Gaudreau, daughter of Richard and Catherine Gaudreau of 73 Peachstone Glen, West Springfield (formerly of Agawam), received her master's degree in special education from Westfield State College at commencement exer-

cises held May 28th, 1994. Christie is a 1992 graduate of the Elms College, where she had a double major (early childhood and elementary education). She now possesses triple certification from the Department of Education in Massachusetts.

Christie is presently employed as a second grade inclusion teacher of special needs children at Lincoln Elementary School in the Springfield School System.



NICOLE LACHANCE

Nicole LaChance Earns **Degree From Clarkson**

Nicole S. LaChance, daughter of Roxy and Wayne LaChance of Agawam, received her bachelor of science degree in interdisciplinary management and engineering on May 15th from Clarkson University in Potsdam, New York.

A 1990 graduate of Cathedral High School in Springfield, MA, Nicole will be attending American International College this fall to begin pursuing her master's in business administration.

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AMY MCCULLOUGH

Amy J. McCullough **Awarded Degree**

After extensive training in travel and tourism, Amy J. McCullough of Agawam is a successful graduate of Southeastern Academy, located in Kissimmee, Florida.

To complete the program of study, she met the requirements for specialized occupational training plus work in business professionalism and career development. Amy is now qualified and ready to begin her career in the travel and tourism

Area Residents **Graduate From Fitchburg State**

Nearly 1,000 bachelor's and master's degrees were recently awarded at Fitchburg State College's 98th commencement exercises.

Thousands of parents, friends, and relatives attended the 10:30 a.m. ceremony on the college

Among the graduates were the following local

From Agawam: Kelli A. Botta, BS, Communications; Cheryl A. Czepiel, BS, Nursing. * From Feeding Hills:

Susan J. Rahilly, BSED, Special Ed.





ANN E. PETRANGELO

Ann Petrangelo Earns Degree In Nursing

Ann E. Petrangelo of Agawam received her Diploma of Nursing, R.N. degree on June 26th. She is a graduate of Baystate Medical Center School of Nursing in Springfield. This year marks the 100th graduating class from Baystate Medical

High academic standings have placed her sixth in the class. She was actively involved in many student nursing volunteer committees and pro-.

She was also a member of the student government program for her class.

Ms. Maher Named A Valedictorian At HCC

Seven of the more than 600 graduates at Holyoke Community College's recent commencement ceremonies shared top honors as valedictorian, and one who followed closely on their academic heels had been named salutatorian.

One of the seven valedictorians was Elizabeth A. Maher of Feeding Hills, who majored in law enforcement.

Commencement ceremonies for HCC took place on Saturday, June 4th. This year marked the college's 47th commencement.

Donna Allard-Tassone **Graduates From Elms College With Honors**

Donna Allard-Tassone of 192 Monastery Avenue, West Springfield was graduated *cum* laude with a major in interdeparmental studies at Elms College on May 22nd.

She is a D'Amour Scholar and a member of Alpha Sigma Lambda, continuing education honor society. She is the wife of Bruno Tassone and mother of Jennifer.

Her parents are Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Allard of

Agawam.

Locals Graduate From Stonehill College

Agawam residents Judith Llewellyn and Karen Patterson received the baccalaureate degree at Commencement exercises held at Stonehill Col-

lege in May.
Stonehill College, a four-year liberal arts institution, was founded in 1948. The College is located on a 375-acre campus in historic North Easton, Massachusetts.

Brian Wesley Receives Degree At Wentworth

Brian Wesley, son of Harry and Bea Wesley of Feeding Hills, recently received a bachelor's degree in building construction technology from Wentworth Institute of Technology in Boston, MA.

Brian has relocated to Atlanta, Georgia, to pursue a career in building construction.

Area Students Earn Degrees From Bridgewater State

Feeding Hills residents Timothy J. Burns, 107 Thalia Drive, and Lisa J. Davies, 46 Carmel Lane, were among the over 850 undergraduates and

were among the over 850 undergraduates and graduates awarded degrees at the 153rd annual Spring Commencement Exercises of Bridgewater State College on Saturday, May 21st.

Bachelor's degrees were awarded in 26 major fields of study and graduate degrees were awarded in five major categories—Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study, Master of Arts, Master of Arts in Teaching, Master of Education, and Master of Science. of Science.

College President Adrian Tinsley presided at the ceremonies, and Dr. S. Allen Counter, director of the Harvard Foundation at Harvard University, delivered the keypones of English at the Hairensi Washington, professor of English at the University of Maryland at College Park, received an honorary degree.

Michael Passerini **Awarded Degree From** Johnson & Wales Univ.

Johnson & Wales University honored 10 in-dustry leaders and awarded 2,877 degrees at its 80th graduation exercises on May 21st in Providence.

Among those graduating was Michael Passerini, son of Harold and Judy Passerini of 164 Clover Hill Drive, Feeding Hills, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in management.

Founded in 1914, Johnson & Wales University is an accredited, private institution offering undergraduate and graduate degrees in business, foodservice, hospitality, and technology.

With an enrollment of more than 10,000 students, Johnson & Wales is based in Providence, Rhode Island, and maintains campuses in Charleston, South Carolina, Norfolk, Virginia, North Miami, Florida, and Vail, Colorado.

Andrew Bressem Earns Degree In Agriculture From N.Y. State Univ.

Andrew Bressem, son of Joyce Bressem-Granger and Charles Granger of Feeding Hills, was among the 700 men and women who graduated from the State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobbleskill at the college's 76th Commencement ceremonies on May 21st.

A combined audience of about 3,400 proud family members, friends, and faculty were on hand to see College President Kenneth E. Wing confer the graduates' degrees.

At the college, Andrew majored in agriculture and natural resources. He was also a "Night Host" and served as the president of Fake Hall.

Two Area Students Graduate From Dean College In Franklin

Michael Meagher of 41 Tracy Drive, Agawam, and Jeffrey Perreault of 55 Poinsetta Street, Agawam, recently earned their associate degrees

from Dean College in Franklin, Massachusetts.
Dean, one of the leading two-year, accredited, private, coeducational colleges in New England, offers 27 majors and a wide range of academic programs, student activities, and athletic pro-

Approximately 80 percent of all graduating seniors in transfer-oriented programs transfer to four-year colleges and universities.

Christine Liszka Grad Of UMass/Dartmouth

Christine Liszka of Feeding Hills was among the 1,257 students who graduated from the University of Masssachusetts at Dartmouth on June 5th at the university's Vietnam Veterans' Peace Memorial Amphitheatre.

Christine graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in English and English writing/communi-



MICHELLE ELLIOTT

Michelle Elliott Earns **Bachelor's From AIC**

Mr. & Mrs. Dwight Elliott of Agawam are pleased to announce that their daughter, Michelle, graduated with honors from AIC on May 22nd.

Michelle received a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Elementary and Special Education. In addition, she received an academic award of excellence in May of this year for Special Education Student Teaching.

She also was one of three graduates selected to serve on the Alumni Board of Directors at AIC.



MATT MICHNOVETZ

Matt Michnovetz Receives Mass Comm. **Degree From Emerson**

Matt Michnovetz has received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mass Communications/Film from Emerson College. Michnovetz was one of 792 graduates to receive their degrees at the College's 114th Commencement held at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts in Boston on Monday, May 16th.

Celebrated actor James Earl Jones delivered the keynote address and also received an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.

Founded in 1880, Emerson College is the only private four-year academic institution in the nation devoted solely to the study of communication and performing arts. The College offers graduate and undergraduate programs in communication disorders, communication studies, mass communication, the performing arts, and writing, literature, and publishing.

Other well-known graduates include Tonight Show host Jay Leno, actor/producer Henry Winkler, producer Norman Lear, and ABC News correspondent Morton Dean.

Best wishes for continued success to all of our local college graduates!

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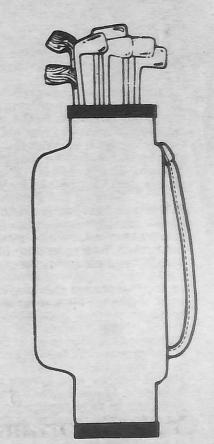
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Jr. Women's Club Paint World Map At Middle School

by Holly Pevzner Advertiser News Staff

On Saturday, June 11th, the Agawam Junior Women's Club, with the help of some paint, a bit of elbow-grease, and a whole lot of caring, painted the world. That is, they painted a map of the world on the playground of the Agawam Middle Sabad dle School.

Last fall, maps of the United States were painted on the black-tops of each of the four elementary schools in town, courtesy of the Junior Women.

Last year, the Agawam Schools' PTO's received fliers in the mail advertising the stencils for such a project. When the PTO's rejected the idea, the Agawam Junior Women's Club was more than happy to pick it up. With the Junior Women's own money and valuable time, the project was set in motion. The supplies of paint, brushes, and rollers, and the stencils were purchased.

Nothing But Positive Feedback

The club has received nothing but positive feedback concerning their previous works of playground art. With these artful maps, the classroom has extended to the playground. It seems the elementary schools' faculty have been using the brightly-colored, oversized maps as tools in teaching the students their geography. Now, Agawam Middle Schoolers will be able to brush up on their geography skills as well.

Under the direction of the Junior Women's member Sue Hoague, a small group of club members, friends, family, and children showed up to hit the payement once again, this time at the

to hit the pavement once again, this time at the Middle School. Also joining in was Town Council

President James Taylor.

In all, it took the group approximately four hours to finish connecting the dots of the outline and filling the world in with paint.

The finished product is something both the Agawam Junior Women's Club and the Middle School can be proud of.

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AHS Class Of '94 Gathers For Breakfast



THE AGAWAM HIGH CLASS OF 1994 gathered for the Annual Senior Class Breakfast at the Polish American Club on Friday, May 27th. IN TOP PHOTO, from left - Gina Serra, Celeste Arraztoa, Dina Scirpo, and Catherine Greene. PHOTO BELOW - standing - Chris Benjamin, Jeff Campbell, and Bill Cavanaugh. Front row - Beth Fleury, April Rapa, and Lynda Wage. RELATED PHOTO ON NEXT PAGE. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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DARE Benefit...



GLASS ETCHING was a service provided at the Agawam High School on Saturday, June 4th to benefit Project DARE. IN TOP PHOTO, David Borowiec works on a car as Bruce Linder and Stephen Pilegi look on; IN PHOTO BELOW, Don Andreoli applies his skills on a passenger window. Advertiser News photos





Class Of 1994 Members At Annual Breakfast



THE POLISH AMERICAN CLUB was again the place for the Annual Agawam High School Senior Class Breakfast on May 27th. Standing - Bob Kunkel, Judson Graham, and Dan Moriarty. Front row - Jill Miller, Nicole Racicot, and Maura Paton. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Local AIC Students Earn Academic Awards

American International College students from Agawam and Feeding Hills were among those who were honored for their academic achievements on Tuesday, May 3rd, during the college's Academic Awards Ceremony. Students and their family members, faculty and administrators gathered for the ceremony, which was held in the college's Esther B. Griswold Theatre for the Performing Arts.

The awards were presented to seniors and

The awards were presented to seniors and underclassmen in each field and concentration for outstanding academic performance. Scholarships were also awarded for high achievement.

* From Agawam:
Senior elementary education major Michelle L.
Elliott of 15 Bailey Street earned the Department of Education Award for outstanding performance in student teaching in special education. She is the daughter of Lee and Dwight Elliott.

Senior secondary education major **Dawn M.**Fountaine of 19 Florida Drive earned the Department of Education Award for outstanding performance in student teaching in secondary educa-

tion.

Junior special education major Karin M. Guistimbelli of 19 Cecile Street earned the Department of History Julia B. Phillips Award for general achievement and excellence in civic subjects. She is the daughter of Mary and Robert Guistimbelli.

* From Feeding Hills:

Senior psychology major Linda A. Bouchard of 650 Southwick Street earned the Department of Psychology Award for excellence in research. She is the daughter of Patricia and Andre Bouchard. Freshman biology major Shawn Skelly of 33 Li-

Freshman biology major Shawn Skelly of 33 Liquori Drive earned the Department of Biology Award for outstanding achievement. He is the son of Donald and Marianne Skelly.

AIC is a private, co-educational college founded in 1885. The college offers more than 40 undergraduate and graduate programs in the Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Psychology and Education, and the Division of Nursing.

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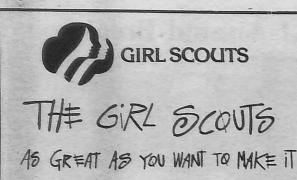
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PHELPS BROWNIE TROOP 582

On May 10th, we had a mother/daughter pot luck dinner at the Senior Center. The badges earned were Colors and Shapes, Manners, Good Food, Food Fun, and Caring and Sharing.

We enjoyed marching in the parade on

Memorial Day with our new troop flag sewn by one of our moms, Jean Mantha. Thanks for a beautiful job.

To finish off the year, we worked on Sports and Games and the Music badge in our last few meetings. An end of the year celebration will be celebrated in two ways. A day at the leader's house for pizza and cake, crafts, and earning My Body and Play badges. We will also be saying good-bye to one of our fellow Brownies, Heather Grace-Rutledge, who will be moving to Maryland. Good bye, Heather. We'll miss you!

To start off our summer, we will be spending a full day at Camp Bonnie Brae. We will do some hiking and swimming, cook our supper over a fire, and earn Water Everywhere badge and Outdoor Adventure badge. All in all, we've had a very productive year with 11 great kids and Eileen and Lauri can't wait to see them again in October.

Have a great summer, Troop 582!

ROBINSON PARK DAISY TROOP 581
Our troop had a lot of fun this spring. We made jewelry boxes for Mother's Day gifts and learned some folk dances. We also went on a field trip to Forest Park Zoo with a Brownie troop, had our last meeting party at the Sand Trap mini-golf course and marched in the Memorial Day parade.

We've been learning about Brownies in prepara-tion for bridging. We attended a Brownie meeting and had the Brownies visit one of our meetings to share some of their experiences.

To end our wonderful year, we are having a bridging ceremony and family cook-out at the home of one of the girls in our troop.

COOKIE SALE RESULTS

Agawam Girl Scout's participation in Pioneer Valley G.S. Council's cookie sale was super! As final results were tallied, we had 328 girls that all together sold 23,980 boxes! This is an average of 73 boxes per girl.

In addition to providing funds to the local council to offset the cost of council programs, trainings, and the property maintenance of Camp Bon-

The Agawam unit received a commission and the girls received cookie credits (like money to be used for G.S. activities) and incentives based on the number of boxes they sold. Each troop also keeps a substantial portion of their sale. The girls and leaders often decide together what the troop cookie money is to be spent on. Lots of trips seem to happen in troops after cookie sales.

Thus, you can see that without the enthusiastic

support of the cookie sale by the general public, Girl Scouting would have a difficult time indeed. As G.S. leaders have enough to do planning and instituting programs, the cookie sale is run by a "Cookie Parent" in each troop. We'd like to take the opportunity now to thank these very important people. We couldn't have done it without you!
Unit Cookie Co-Managers for Agawam: Linda Montagna and Donna Shaw. This is their sixth year coordinating the sale in Agawam.

Cookie Parents: Granger School - Troop 579, Beverly Pfau; Troop 525, Mary Bousquet; Troop 540, Nancy Francis; Troop 547, Pat Semanie; Troop 524, Liz Obue and Linda Comee; Troop 541, Jan Caruso.

Robinson Park School - Troop 580, Debbie

Jasmin; Troop 567, Colleen Moren; Troop 555, Nancy Campi and Mary Ann Margiotta; Troop 564, Andrea Mokrzycki; Troop 539, Gerald Chretien;

Troop 553, Jose Heim. Phelps School · Troop 582, Cathy Petros; Troop 583, Jenny Czuprynsky; Troop 557, Deb Sekula; Troop 546, Diane Ennis; Troop 556, Linda Connor. Clark School - Troop 584, Nancy and Frank Liberti; Troop 563, Debbie Drewes; Troop 549,

Susan Marek; Troop 560, Marybeth Sheehan. Middle School · Troop 543, Sue McNeish and Jackie Guiel; Troop 544, Jennie A'Mato; Troop 552, Marie Kunkler.

Junior High - Troop 548, Linda Montagna; Troop 565, Chris Marsh.

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BRONWIE TROOP 539 at Robinson Park School prepare to view the recent solar eclipse.



BROWNIE TROOP 539 at Robinson Park School is all set for their Annual Bowling trip.



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AHS Peer Leaders Act As Tour Guides For New Frosh Class

by Kathy Cassanelli News Editor

Next year's freshman class at Agawam High School recently "toured" their new school surroundings without having to leave the Junior High School thanks to a video prepared by the AHS Peer Leadership Group.

Members of the Peer Leaders visited all eighth grade social studies classes to show a videotaped tour of AHS, to provide the incoming freshmen with a map of the school, and a list of the clubs and activities offered to AHS students, and also aswered any questions the students had about what to expect when they move up to AHS

On the video, AHS Principal Russell Furtado welcomed the class of 1998 and challenged them to "get as much as they can out of the opportunities waiting for them" (by getting involved in academics, sports, and clubs).

Visiting with one of Gerald O'Malley's classes, Peer Leaders Sharon Jacapraro and Laura Beauchemin tried to reassure the students about some of the concerns common to most freshmen entering the sometimes bewildering world of an

active and busy high school.

Getting lost and not having enough time between classes topped the list of his students' concerns, O'Malley said.

Even though the distance between classes on a student's schedule can be much longer than the eighth graders are used to, the two AHS students agreed that with a little ingenuity, most students manage to get to their classes in the four minutes allowed for passing.

Often, students find other routes to their classes and can take short cuts by going outside the building, Laura said.

A Familiar Face Judging from her past experience in giving orientations at the Junior High School, Sharon said the freshmen will remember the Peer Leaders who spoke to them and feel comfortable about approaching them for help in the first few days of school. "They'll see Laura and she'll be a familiar face. They'll know they can trust her," Sharon, a

With juniors Bob Parslow and Tracie Jacapraro (Sharon's sister) acting as their tour guides on the video, eighth grade students got an up close and personal look at the academic offerings as well as the extracurricular activities waiting for them at AHS.

The tour began in the nurse's office with Bob explaining the procedure for students who become ill during the day and need to go home. "You have to be on your deathbed," Bob jokingly cautioned the students.

Highlighting some of the specialized classes offered at AHS, the tour included stops at the greenhouse, pottery class, choreography class, and the Tech-Ed Department.

What Some Teachers Will Do... The students also had a chance to see math teacher Dave Pulaski in action as he donned a captain's hat and binoculars to illustrate a geometry lesson on angles. "We wanted to show them what some of the teachers might do to capture the students' interest," Sharon noted. Ending with a glimpse of the Show Choir Spring

Tour Show, the video gave the students a broad overview of the academic, social, and extracurricular life they can expect at AHS.

As the director and producer of the orientation video, Sharon had the support of a student committee at AHS in putting the tape together.

In addition to the on-camera contributions of tour guides Tracie Jacapraro and Bob Parslow, behind the scenes assistance was provided by Carrie Janik, Melissa Troie, Kerry Thompson, Joan Mineo, and Erin Defuria.



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL PEER LEADERS Sharon Jacapraro and Laura Beauchemin served as tour guides for the new freshman class (Class of 1998) at Agawam High School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Camp Bonnie Brae **Seeks Former Campers**

Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Council is looking for past campers and counselors who have attended Camp Bonnie Brae and/or Camp Edith G. Newell in East Otis, Massachusetts since the camps opened in 1919.

The council will be celebrating the 75th Anniversary of Camp Bonnie Brae with all-day activities on Saturday, August 13th.

For more information or to register to attend this special event, please call Pioneer Valley Girl Scout Council at (413) 525-4124 or 1-800-639-7047 or send your name, address, and phone number to Pioneer Valley Girl Scouts, 40 Harkness Avenue, East Longmeadow, MA 01028.

BROWNIE CHATTER - from Page 52...

Other Items

Thanks so much to Cadette Troop 565 and Junior Troop 552. They surprised all the leaders in Agawam with a handmade flower pot and candy arrangement on Leader's Day, April 22nd. This took place during National Volunteers Week. What a special surprise for some very special peo-

Reminder If G.S. or others have aluminum tabs collected from soda cans etc., please bring them into G.S. troops or call Troop 539, Marlene Chretien (789-3808). This Brownie Troop has agreed to be in charge of our collection and will weigh each troop's contribution and issue certificates and info in the fall.

All tabs are turned over directly to Helma Court No. 64. They bring them to a recycling center to be weighed and purchase much needed equipment and resources for Shriner's Hospital, Springfield Unit with the funds.

It's surprising how much fun girls have collecting these and they do amount to quite a bundle when all brought together. The TABS collection is an ongoing thing, so TABS can be saved during



Agawam High Guidance Report

by Paul C. Cavallo Chairman

Summer School

The school year is slowly coming to a close, but we still have one more bit of business - SUMMER SCHOOL. Students will be informed by their guidance counselors of the need to attend summer school.

Report cards are being mailed home, but the guidance staff will know the names of students who have failed before parents receive their child's report card.

Counselors will call students at home on Thursday, June 23rd, Friday, June 24th, and Monday, June 27th to inform them about summer school. Summer school applications are available in the guidance office for West Springfield, Westfield, Ľudlow, and Longmeadow.

It is the student's responsibility (once told by his/her guidance counselor) to make arrangements to attend summer school. Only a maximum of two courses can be taken and only if the student's final failing grade average is above 55. If below 55, a student cannot attend summer school and must make a schedule change with his/her counselor for next school year.

Counselors will not be available after Monday, June 27th. If parents have any questions regarding their son's or daughter's status, contact the guidance office by June 27th.

A letter will be sent to the parents of those students who should attend summer school, even if the counselor has already contacted the student. Most area summer schools begin July 5th and last from four to six weeks.

Finally, this is the last guidance column of the year. I have enjoyed hearing from many readers about the importance of the column and want to see it continued next year.

If you have any comments, suggestions, etc., please feel free to let me know. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

See you in September!

Sharon Waite And Rachael White Named To Dean's List At URI

Sharon Waite and Rachael White, both of whom are 1993 graduates of Agawam High School, have just completed their freshman year at the University of Rhode Island and have been placed on the

Sharon is a pharmacy major and is the daughter of Richard and Rosemary Waite of Feeding Hills. Rachael, the daughter of Michael and Barbara White of Feeding Hills, is majoring in zoology.



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Celebrating Agawam's Teachers - Week Four...

The Faculty & Staff At Phelps & Clark Schools

The following is a list of adminstrators and faculty members at Phelps School and James

Clark School, noting their years of service.
In honor of "Agawam Educators' Appreciation Month" celebrated in May, The Agawam Advertiser News continues with its coverage of our town's dedicated teachers.

PHELPS SCHOOL 30 - 38 YEARS OF SERVICE Celia Ucella, Janet Wysocki. 20 -29 YEARS OF SERVICE

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Margaret Gage, Joanne Krawczyk, Margaret Bitzas, Susan Mutti.

Judith Hebert **Accepted For** Doctorate

Agawam resident Judith Hebert, a graduate of Westfield State College, was among seven new candidates selected by American International College for its doctoral program in educational

psychology.
The program, instituted in 1984, has its major focus in the area of learning disabilities.

"All students work closely with the staff of the College's Curtis Blake Child Develop-mental Center," said Richard C. Sprinthall, director of graduate studies in psychology at AIC.

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THE FACULTY AND STAFF of James Clark Elementary School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Summer Reading Club **Looking For Members** At Agawam Library

Local children are invited to join the nearly 200,000 other young Massachusetts readers in the annual statewide summer reading incentive pro-

gram, that began June 13th.
For readers who have completed kindergarten through young adults, Summer Reading Club of-fers an opportunity to read books from the Agawam Public Library at their individual interest levels in return for coupons towards weekly lottery prizes. Children will also have the opportunity to plot their own trip around the world, according to the number of hours they read weekly.

Preschoolers from the youngest age are eligible to enroll in the library's "Reading Together" program, which simply involves other family members or friends reading to them.

In addition to the weekly lottery prizes, which have been contributed by Milton Bradley Company and many local businesses, program members will receive coupons for free and reduced price admission from cultural institutions and attractions throughout recreational Massachusetts.

Club memberships are open to all youngsters who have Agawam Public Library cards. Information on programs and reading incentives will be available at the Summer Reading Club table in the library, and participants are invited to register as club members from June 13th through the summer months.

Agawam Students Get Susan J. Rahilly On Awards, Scholarships From Holyoke Comm.

More than 200 oustanding Holyoke Community College students were presented with awards and

scholarships during the college's 1994 Annual Awards Presentation held Friday, May 13th Presiding over the event were HCC President David M. Bartley and Vice President for Academic Affairs. Tohy Tamarkin Affairs, Toby Tamarkin.

The following local students were among those who were honored with awards and scholarships:

who were honored with awards and scholarships:

* From Agawam:
Sandra J. Angotti, Award for Excellence in German - First Year; Barbara Farrington, Plant Science Award; Michiyo Isogai, Award for Excellence in ESL - Level Two; Renee Nichols, Women in Transition Scholarship; Joseph Paul, Publication, Award - Editor, "Phoenix Press"; Robert Peloquin, Baseball Award; and Paul Reynolds, Music Book Award.

* From Feeding Hills:
Christopher Corradino, Visual Arts Faculty

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Prize; Publication Award - Art Editor, "Tarah";
Christopher Cosgrove, HCC Players Medal;
Michelle Desilets, Early Childhood Program
Award; Michael Kowalewski, Award for Excellence in Spanish - First Year; Elizabeth A.
Maher, Award for Excellence in Criminal Justice;
Donna Palivoda, Eric B. Nowill Scholarship; and
Alison Rock, Women's Soccer Award.

College Dean's List

Susan J. Rahilly of Feeding Hills has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Fitchburg State College, according to President Vincent J. Mara.

A student is placed on the Dean's List for the semester if an average grade of 3.20 or better is attained, and the student is attending the college

Fitchburg State College, which is celebrating its centennial, enrolls 6,000 day and evening students in 20 academic majors. The college was established in 1894.

Preschoolers Invited To Agawam Library

Preschoolers aged 2½ to five are invited to an evening story and craft time on Tuesday, June 21st from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m.

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Middle Schoolers Attend Annual Dance



THE AGAWAM MIDDLE SCHOOL held its Annual Dance on Friday evening, June 3rd. IN TOP PHOTO, from left - Jen Sommer, Kelly Webb, Emily Dubois, Arlie Dobek, Christine Gallant, and Andrea Stevenson. PHOTO BELOW - Gregory Brown, James Lincoln, Pat Lennon, Brian Hayden, Chris LeBlanc, and Billy Nowell. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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Andrea Balboni Visits Costa Rica After Finals

Andrea Balboni, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Balboni of West Springfield, and grand-daughter of Mrs. Carlo Balboni of Agawam, visited Costa Rica following final exams at Mount Holyoke College, where she is a student.

In September, Andrea will leave for Italy, where she will spend her junior year of college at the University of Rome.

Teresa Desmarais On College Dean's List

Dr. Paul R. Douillard, Dean of the Undergraduate College at Assumption College in Worcester, has announced that Teresa Desmarais, daughter of Maurice & Ruby Desmarais of 476 Franklin St. Ext., Agawam, has been named to the Dean's List for the Spring 1994

Teresa is an accounting major and is a member of the class of 1995. Her grade point average for

"Day For Animals" At Laughing Brook

Laughing Brook Education Center and Wildlife Sanctuary in Hampden is holding a "Day for Animals" Celebration on Sunday, June 26th from

1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

This is a fundraiser for the wildlife care program at Laughing Brook, with all proceeds to go to help support the animals. Featured in this family event are a veterinarian, environmental policeman, and wildlife researcher who will be available to show and tell how they work with animals in their

Zoologist Al Richmond will exhibit some fascinating reptiles and amphibians and will discuss human impacts on their populations. Upclose visits with live owls will provide opportunities to learn about the amazing adaptations of these nighttime predators.

Tracking and wildlife identification games, a vild treats" sale, and a search for wildlife sights wild treats and sounds in the woods will add to the day's festivities. Pre-registration is suggested, but not

required. Public admission to this event is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children, and for Hampden residents and members of Massachusetts Audubon, \$3 for

adults and \$2 for children. Please call Laughing Brook at (413) 566-8034 for more information.

Charles Hoffman Accepted By UMass

Charles N. Hoffman, a 1990 graduate of Agawam High School, has received notification from Dr. Samuel Conti, Vice Chancellor for Research and Dean of the Graduate School, of his acceptance in the School of Public Health at UMass for the fall of 1994.

Hoffman has achieved an academic average of 3.60 this semester, placing him on the Dean's List

once more.

He resides with his parents, Richard and Sandra Marona, in Feeding Hills.

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Kristina F. Galarneau Named To Dean's List At Stonehill College

Kristina M. Galarneau, daughter of Anthony F. and Linda M. Galarneau, has been named to the Dean's List for the 1994 spring semester at Stonehill College. Kristina is a 1992 honors graduate of Agawam High School and has just completed her sophomore year at Stonehill.

She is a biology pre-medicine major (minoring in Spanish and chemistry), and is a member of the Biology Society, the Committee for Academic Excellence, and the Students for Environmental Awareness program.

Kristina will be transferring to the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in the fall in order to pursue a biology major with a concentration in neurobiology, and a minor in both chemistry and

psychology. She has already been admitted into the honors program at the University, which requires at least a 3.5 average based on a 4.0 scale. Kristina will be leaving Stonehill with a 3.64 cumulative average.

Matt Michnovetz Back From Semester In LA

Matt Michnovetz, a 1990 graduate of Agawam High School, recently returned from spending his final college semester at the Emerson College Los Angeles Center. Arriving a day after the January earthquake, he found the fast-paced L.A.

lifestyle a unique experience for a college senior.

He worked as a intern for New Line Cinema as well as a part-time job at the International Documentary Association, where he helped organize an Oscar reception party at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. He also worked a part-time job at the notorious Viner worked a part-time job at the notorious Viper Room, and during this period managed to maintain a Dean's List grade point average.

Upon his return, he graduated from Emerson College with a bachelor of science degree in mass communication.

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Colleen M. Meagher Attains Dean's List

Colleen M. Meagher of 34 Sunset Terrace, Feeding Hills made the Dean's List for the spring semester at Roger Williams University, Bristol, Rhode Island with a 3.67 average.

She is majoring in Historic Preservation with a declared minor in Communications.

While at school, Colleen works part-time in the school library and is a member of the R.W.U. Historic Preservation Club and the Campus Inter-

faith Student Advisory Program.

A 1993 honors graduate of Agawam High School, she is the daughter of Frank and Carol Meagher. Her grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Del Meagher of Springfield and Mr. & Mrs. Chester Wiater of Adams, Massachusetts.

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Colts Stampede Brownies With Huge 7-Run Rally In Seventh

by Mike Parent
Advertiser News Correspondent

After ending Chicopee Comp's season in each of the last two years, the Agawam High girls' softball team had the tables turned on them Thursday afternoon (June 9th) with a 12-9 loss in the Western Mass. Semifinals held at Szot Park in Chicopee.

Chicopee Comp needed seven runs in the top of the seventh to send it to the title game against the undefeated Amherst Hurricanes. (Amherst won it

Agawam tried to rally in the bottom of the seventh with leadoff walks by Becky Wing and Chris Bousquet, but that was followed by two popouts and a force play at third.

The Brownies started the game very much in command. After Lauren Seymour stranded two Colts' runners in the top of the first, Agawam scored six runs in its half of the inning.

scored six runs in its half of the inning.
Four straight infield singles by Courtnie
Hyland, Wing, Bousquet, and April Rapa gave
Agawam its first run. Kristin Schmaelzle's
sacrifice fly scored Wing to make it 2-0.

The hitting would continue all through the lineup as Agawam would bat around, using four more hits to add four more runs. The Brownies left the first inning up 6-0.

Agawam Defense Holds Comp Scoreless In Third Comp struck for one run in the second and some good Agawam defense held them scoreless in the third. With one out and a runner on third, Wing handled a grounder at third and threw to first for the out. The Colts' runner broke for home and Bousquet threw a perfect strike to the plate to nail the runner, completing the double play.

Agawam began to miss scoring opportunities that would cost it later in the game. In the third, the locals left the bases loaded. The next inning they wasted two leadoff singles. Still, Agawam led 6-1 heading to the fifth.

Comp cut the lead deeper in the tifth, scoring three runs. But Agawam retaliated with three runs of its own.

Seymour reached first on an error and took second when the Colts' catcher threw an errant pickoff throw. After a pop-out, Hyland drew a walk and Wing singled to load the bases. Bousquet followed with a two-run double and Rapa hit a hot shot to third base that could not be handled, scoring another un. Comp got out of the inning by getting a force at third and by retiring Kate Vivenzio on a deep fly to left.

Leading 9-4, Seymour retired the first two batters of the sixth before surrendering a homerun, a deep shot that was out of the reach of leftfielder Erika Pratt.

With a four-run lead, the Brownies looked to get some insurance runs in the sixth. Katie LaBreck led off with a single, but was later thrown out going to third on a bunt by Seymour. Stephanie Biza also would single in the inning, but she was also stranded.

The Colts' hitters finally solved Seymour in the last inning. The first seven batters reached base to give Comp a 10-9 lead. They would pad that lead with a single off a drawn-in infield that scored one run, and a single past third base that scored two more.

Comeback Hopes Alive
Brownie hopes for a comeback win were alive after the two leadoff walks in the seventh, but Comp got the three outs they needed. Rapa's deep foul ball to left was caught for the first out and Schmaelzle followed with a pop-out to se-

Vivenzio's ground ball to third was handled and the force play was made at third on Wing to end the game. The Brownies finished another sterling season at 18-3.

Under-17 Boys' Soccer Qualify For Mass. Tourney Of Champs

Agawam's Under-17 Boys' Spring Soccer team qualified for the Massachusetts Tournament of Champions to be held at UMass in Amherst on July 17th, 18th, and 19th with Finals the following weekend. The winner will qualify for the Nationals.

The team will play Friday night at 7:15 on Field 10 and Saturday at 9:15 a.m. and 3:15 p.m., also on Field 10. The semi-finals will be held Sunday.

The players on the team include Jim Baldyga, Todd Boskiewicz, Brian Boyer, Bob Burke, Brian Chechile, Chris Chechile, Timmy Conklin, Keith Daubmann, Michael Domaingue, Paul Klisiewicz, Jeff Gaylor, Dave McCarthy, Matt Radwanski, Jeff Rousseau, Jay Patrick, Derek Poole, Jamie Scherban, and Tony Rose.

The boys went 6-1-1, scoring 25 goals and allowing only six goals. Congratulations and good luck from your parents and coaches.

Baseball Camp Back At Sacred Heart

The baseball/softball camp will be back at Sacred Heart Church Athletic Fields for the week starting July 25th. The camp will be four days of instruction and games, and all aspects of baseball and softball will be covered.

The camp will run daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The camp instructors will include Lou Conte, the varsity boys' coach; Brian Rheault, the assistant boys' varsity coach; and Deb Lickley, the varsity girls' softball coach.

The camp will run Monday through Thursday, with Friday being a make-up date. The cost of the camp is \$85

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Ag. Mickey Mantle **Takes Home Opener** Over Elks 61 Team

The Agawam 14-16 Mickey Mantle played their home opener at Shea Field, defeating a strong Elks 61, 4-1. Jamie Scherban went the distance allowing only one run while striking out 10 Elks'

Jonathan Jacobsen contributed to the offense with a double and Mike Domaingue with two bunt

A key defensive play of the game was when Mike Domaingue turned a double play snagging the runner at second and catching the runner at first to squelch any scoring chance for the Elks.

The Body Shop then traveled across the river to Chicopee for an easy win over St. Anne's 11-1. Jon Jacobsen sailed along in this game, allowing one run while striking out 14.

The offense was sparked by Dom Pisano, who led the way with four hits and Jeff Rousseau go-

ing 2-2 at the plate.

Dan Pellegrino started a dazzling double play by fielding a ball at first swinging and throwing to Mike Domaingue at second, who quickly returned the ball to first to provide the defensive highlight of the game.

Agawam came home for a very tough game against a powerful St. Catherine's Club team. The Body Shop squeaked out with a 4-3 victory. Dan Pellegrino pitched five solid innings, allowing three runs, striking out five, and allowing one base on balls. Jim Baldyga came in for the last two innings shutting the door on any Cubs' scoring chances.

The Body Shop could only muster four hits of their own, but had men on third when it counted since three of their four runs came on passed

Dom Pisano provided the defensive play of the game by not letting a pick-off attempt at third get through to the outfield.

The Northside Devils stunned the Agawam Body Shop with their first loss of the season 6-5. Mark Tassone and Jim Baldyga combined to pitch a fine game only to suffer the loss.

Mike Domaingue smashed a home run, while Chris Chechile, Jeff Harlin, Jeff Cressotti, Jeff Rousseau, and Jay Peloquin also aided in the of-

The defense was sparked by Chris Chechile

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AHS Girls' Track Banquet Held



LOOKING GOOD at the Annual Agawam High Girls' Track Banquet at Shaker Farms Country Club are Class of 1994 team members. From left - Nicole DeCosmo, Beth Fleury, Dyan Deluce, Erin Pettazzoni, Rose Pignatare, and Nina Giordano. Advertiser News photo by Jack

Agawam Youth Football Association Plans Final Sign-Ups For Saturday, June 18th

The Agawam Youth Football Association will hold final sign-ups for the fall season on Saturday, June 18th from 10:00 a.m. until noon at the Little League Field.

The Agawam Warriors compete in the Junior and Senior Division of the Western Mass. Suburban Amateur Football League. To be eligible, players must reside in Agawam.

The Junior Division consists of players in fourth, fifth, and sixth grades. Sixth graders may not turn 13 prior to January 1st, 1995. The Senior Division consists of players in the seventh and eighth grades. Eighth graders may not turn 15

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prior to January 1st, 1995.

Due to the number of players who have already signed-up, this sign-up will be conducted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration forms and payments will be collected until the maximum number of players is reached.

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Agawam Men's Softball...

Spalding's Homers Prove Too Much For Bobby's Iron Ducks

by Brian Colby **Advertiser New Correspondent**

It wasn't a night for the home team this past Tuesday evening at Borgatti Park as a talented Spalding team came to town to take on Agawam's own Bobby's Iron Ducks (4-11). Unfortunately, Spalding's big guns shot down the Ducks in a decisive 12-6 victory.

It wasn't long before a couple of timely base hits had Spalding up, 2-0. But Jeff Peterson's solo homer in the first made it 2-1 rolling into the third

And the third was all Ducks. It started off when Peterson flied to left. Mike Curto suffered the same fate with two men on. But up came Ken Hamel and with one swing of the bat he had driven home both runners.

Mike Loomer drilled one to shortstop who made a rushed, off-the-mark throw to first base. Loomer was safe and Hamel trotted to third. Next, Bill Bates singled Loomer in to make it 5-2, Ducks. That would, however, pretty much end the excitement for the home boys.

Spalding came up in its half of the third and absolutely smoked the ball. It was a festival of homers as two solo shots were hit along with a two-run dinger. And how quickly the tide changed

as it was now 7-5, Spalding.

The Ducks would fizzle in the fourth as Spalding would pour it on in its half of the inning. Mark Carnagaelo singled with one out and Joe Musi then blasted another two-run dinger over the fence. After a bunch more safeties by Spalding, it was 11-5 going into the fifth.

Peterson singled to lead off the fifth but a strikeout and a pop-out, followed by a sharp liner to the Spalding third baseman by Jeff Jeanotte closed the inning. Spalding kept quiet in its half of the fifth thanks to a heck-of-a-defensive play by shortstop Mike Cleavall. He stabbed at a line drive shot, came up with the leather, and doubled up the runner at second base.

Holy cow, folks, what a play! In the sixth the Ducks looked to be gettin' a rally going as Jack Peterson doubled and Cleavall singled. A walk loaded the bases. But the Ducks would only score one run after a sacrifice fly. The rally-killer came on a crisp 6-4-3 double play by

Spalding The Ducks came up for their last at-bats in the bottom of the sixth trailing 12-6. They took some good licks when Peterson crushed a ball to left (but was caught), Curto flied to left as well, and Hamel flied out deep to center for the third and

Agawam Men's Softball Standings (As Of 6/13/94)

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Agawam Women's **Softball Standings** (As Of 6/13/94)

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Buccaneer Lounge	2	12
"B" DIVISION	W	L
Club 57	11	4
N.E. School Supply	10	5
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Buccaneer Lounge	8	6
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Tri-County Baseball...

Agawam Auto School Off To Good Start by Brian Colby

Advertiser News Correspondent

What do the numbers 4-2-1 all have in common? No, not the fact that they are all multiples of four, nor the fact they all add up to seven in any order. This is the record at presstime of Agawam's own Tri-County baseball team, Agawam Auto School, the league's two-time defending champs who have thoughts of a three-peat later on this summer dancing in their heads.

The team so far has defeated teams sponsored by Woronoco Savings Bank, St. Joseph's of Palmer, and the Westfield Platers. In the team's second game vs. Woronoco Savings, the locals were down 11-1 early in the game but came storming back to take a 13-12 victory topped by strongman Bob Altobelli's two-run homer in the

The locals have been defeated at presstime by the Chicopee Tigers and Fenton's Athletic Wear,

and both were good ballgames.

Agawam Auto School boasts talent from all over. Most of the team played college ball or are veterans of the Tri-County wars. Players such as pitcher/outfielder Jed Brietbart, shortstop Brian Griffin, and pitcher Jeff Spanswick played for American International College, while others such as second baseman Ray Burgess, catcher Frank Mochak, and pitcher Jim Walker attended South Carolina, Southern Florida, and Northern Florida,

Auto School boasts a potent offense, led by Brietbart (.550), Tim Doyle (.500), and former Agawam High and league star Bob Altobelli (.474). Burgess is striking the ball at presstime at a .435 clip and leads the team in RBI with 14.

Players such as Brian Robinson, Brian Griffin, and Mochak have chipped in with some timely

and Mochak have chipped in with some timely hits to help the Auto School cause.

The defense so far has been more than ade-

Agawam Legion Baseball...

Despite 0-3 Record, **Local Legion Team** Is Hopeful About '94

by Brian Colby **Advertiser New Correspondent**

Welcome, folks, to the second consecutive year of the new and improved Agawam American Legion baseball team. The club, sponsored by Post 185 located on Springfield Street, is the main reason that the town even has a team in the American Legion League

Before the summer of 1993, it had been nine years since Agawam had fielded an American Legion team of its own. But times have card only

Last year's team had a tough season and only won one of its 20 games due to a lack of experienced players. While other legion teams in the area had college or college-bound players dotting their rosters, Agawam fielded a team mostly from the high school varsity and junior varsity levels,

most with only one year experience.

Better Things Hoped For In '94

However, the summer of 1994 promises better things as many talented players are turning. The acquisition of some talent from West Springfield and surrounding towns should also push the team toward its goal of .500 baseball and to be in the running for the legion tournament in late July.

This year's team will consist of some Agawam High varsity players, including Brian Klinakis, cat-cher; Jason Votzakis, struttin' his stuff in leftfield; and Mike Perry and Carm Battista, who will comprise the left side of the infield.

Other returnees from last year's team include utility player Chris Wilkie; Nathan Wooley, a pitcher and infielder; and "not so little" John Ingham

at first base. Coming over from the other side of the river in West Side are Steve Blanchette, an infielder, and Chris Izzo, another infielder. Pitcher Sean Lyman, another Terrier, will also get some time on the

mound for Agawam.

Off To Rocky Start The locals got off to a rocky start by losing a close call to Ludlow, 4-2, and then going over to Forest Park and receiving a 14-3 spanking from Springfield Liberty. The team then came out and faced a talented Palmer team this past Saturday with fire in their eyes and revenue on their rocky start. with fire in their eyes and revenge on their minds.

The game would be a rollercoaster as the lead changed hands several times. Palmer Legion put up four runs in the seventh to finally prevail, 10-9. The Agawam team showed plenty of spirit and fight in this one and at presstime is looking forward to its first win after the 0-3 start.

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quate except for a few errors here and there that hurt. The outfield is manned by former Agawam High stars Shawn Smith and Jason Wooley, as well as Brietbart. The infield consists of Burgess at second, Doyle at third, and Griffin at short.

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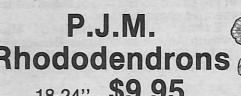
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a new study by the Sport Fishing Institute (SFI).
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Bodinson, Safari Club International; Mike Hampton, National Skeet Shooting Association; Bren-

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My purpose in listing the above is to impress upon you the serious threat of the abolishment of fishing and hunting. The returns of hunting and fishing, moneywise, is in the millions of dollars.

However, this fact has little impact on the haters of fishing and hunting. The loss of millions of jobs means nothing to these radical antis who have been put in key positions by the Clinton Administration. They will not stop short of eliminating the sports of hunting and fishing.

Sounds like an impossible task, but their deeds up to the present (sounds diabolic), by establishing new rules and eliminating others, put them in a position to cut off the Federal lands to all hunting and fishing. The battle is going on

This is why the prestigeous outdoor groups have banned together as an alliance in order to have more clout in Congress. However, their clout depends on the hunters and fishermen. What they put out a call for the individual to contact their congressmen or women, you have to stop being lazy and drop the attitude of 'let the other guy do

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Racing At Riverside...

Kopec Noses Out Ruggerio In Thrilling June 11th Race

On Saturday, June 11th, at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, MA, the margin of victory in the Modified race was less than half a car. The challenge came in the last lap, and the end result was a finish that had the spectators standing in their seats. Chris Kopec nosed out Reggie Ruggiero to win the 50-lap, double-point event, which represented race number two in the NAPA Auto Parts Championship Series.

The Modified feature had five cautions that set the stage for a great, late-race change. Among the hardships was Dan Avery, who (while running second under caution) would lose a drive shift and, thus, be taken out of the competition. Other cautions included a mix-up that took out early top-10 runners like Tom Jensen, Richard Savary, Brian Miller, and Dave Berube.

At one point on the start, Dave Gallo pulled away and was hunted down by Jim Houghton. For two laps, Houghton had the lead, and then Chris Kopec pulled away from 10th and took the top spot. At the halfway mark, Kopec was out in front by almost half a lap; then, while under caution, Reggie Ruggiero pitted and thereby set the stage for two battles up front and in the back.

Dan Meservey, Jr., Marty Radewick, and Steve Park were to become "new factors" in this race, with Park moving into second place. Jim Houghton ran up front throughout the event and showed great talent, and Stan Greger did what he could be what he could be what he could be what he could be what he can be seen to be seen the second place. could on what was ultimately a tough night for

With less than 10 laps to go, Reggie Ruggiero had come from last and was closing in at the checker. Still, Kopec was smooth, fast, and never used up his car; by the time he crossed the finish line to earn the victory, the crowd of 4,198 fans was standing and was oblivious of the misty

Following Chris Kopec was Reggie Ruggiero (Haymond Law Offices), with Steve Park (Brady-Sunoco), Jim Houghton (Simoncini), and Dan Meservey (Mobil 1) rounding out the top five. Sixth through 10th were Stan Greger (Manofort), Marty Radewick, Bruce D'Allessandro, Dave Gallo, and

Speaking of his Modified victory, Kopec stated, "The car was just awesome. I was smooth and we were really just pacing ourselves. This is the first time we ever won with this car."

Joe Myette led the first two laps in the Pro Stock division. Then Dan Grasso took the lead and kept it for 15 laps, as **Tom Carey** came from the "lucky 13" starting position. Carey was then hunted down in the closing laps of the race, as Eddy Carroll came from the 18th position (with Tom Fearn in hot pursuit).

At the checker in the near-photo-finish was Tom Carey (Joe Bean Auto Body), followed by Eddy Carroll (Cliff's Auto), Tom Fearn (Pot Belly Pub), Dave Carusso, and Rick Turcotte. Rounding out the top 10 were Lou Prior, John Lobo, Barry Gray, Jim Bainfield, and Ed Carroll.

The victorious and obviously happy Carey said, "We have had such bad luck that maybe this win will change everything. This team of Joe Bean Auto body is very professional, and we are proud of this victory.'

Mike Harelick looked strong at the start of the Late Model feature, as Joe Czarnecki took the lead until-lap number 10 when Rocky Mazzioto set the pace. It wasn't long before Gee Perry had moved to the front to take the lead on lap 12.

While this was happening up front, Chuck Docherty and Fred LaForge moved in and made their presences known in the 50-lap event. The closing laps tightened things up, with Perry ultimately winning his fourth victory of the 1994

Chuck Docherty came in second over Rocky Mazzioto (D-Q Under Weight), Gary Fiormonti, and Fred LaForge. Sixth through 10th were Glenn Griswold, Ted Chalmers, Paul DiPisa, Joe Czarnecki, and John Seybold.

In the Strictly Stocks, Matt Rokosz won his first race by dominating all the way to the checker over Rob Valerio, Joe Kokoszka, Chuck Alessio, and Bruce Battles. Rounding out the top 10 in this event were Roger Fujimoto, Scott Neleber, Tom Dileo, Vinny Bonacore, and Herb Carlon.

This Saturday, June 18th, Riverside will hold four divisions of NASCAR racing, plus the kids' Big Wheel and Electric Car Races. What's more, the first 3,000 race fans through the gate will receive free Budweiser race hats.

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This event is priced at \$10.99 for adults, and \$2.99 for kids 12 years of age and under. The action starts at 6:00 p.m.

Budweiser Giving Out Free Hats To 3,000 Fans At Riverside June 18th

Budweiser is giving away 3,000 Budweiser limited edition hats to the first 3,000 NASCAR Winston race fans attending the Saturday, June 18th special at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam, MA. This giveaway is part of "Fan Appreciation Night," which is being sponsored by both Budweiser and Acme Auto Supply.

This is also a very important date for the kids, as it is the night of the Big Wheel and Electric Car Baces. The third annual event will feature over 75

Races. The third annual event will feature over 75 (ranging in age from three to 10) who'll compete for U.S. Savings Bonds, \$100 cash prizes, and six-foot trophies. Every kid who races gets a gift valued at \$20.

The June 18th event at Riverside is also family priced at \$10.99 for adults, and \$2.99 for kids 12 years of age and under. Admission includes a walk through New England's largest amusement park, wherein fairgoers can attend all kinds of free shows, purchase great food, and enjoy fun

Plus (as stated earlier), the first 3,000 through the stadium gate will each get a free Budweiser race hat—a value of \$18! This giveaway is based on a first-come, one-per-customer with a race ticket at 4:30 p.m., when the stadium opens on Saturday, June 18th, at Riverside Park Speedway.

For this Budweiser/Acme Auto Supply event, the tour-type Modifieds will run for 50 laps and

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feature such popular competitors as Reggie Ruggiero, Chris Kopec, Dan Avery, and Stan Greger. Meanwhile, the Pro Stocks will run a 30-lap race

with noted drivers like Barry Gray, Eddy Carroll, Tom Fearn, Tom Carey, and Dave Caruso.

The Late Model division will also be impressive to watch, thanks to the likes of racing competitors. such as Rocco Mazzioto, Ted Chalmers, Gary Fiormonti, and Gee Perry. In all, the June 18th program will feature 20-plus NASCAR events, plus the kids' Big Wheel Races and Electric Car Races.

On Saturday, June 25th, Riverside Park Speedway will hold its "Bumper to Bumper Night" with a huge trackside Pit Party where the fans can go for a ride in a real pace car with their favorite drivers. There will be more free giveaways for the kids, plus the Banner Contest and Color Contest winners will be announced.

The Pit Party will run from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 25th. You will need to buy your race ticket at the Main Park Gate in order to get into the races and track party. Moreover, this evening's event is a Pro 4 Modified Championship

For more information, call Riverside Park Speedway at (413) 786-9300, Race Department (Star 4). Action starts at 6:00 p.m. every Saturday night at Riverside's quarter-mile facility.

STRICTLY STOCKS

Speedway's Standings (As Of June 11th)

Reggie Ruggiero	226	Chuck Allessio	254
Stan Greger	202	Rob Valerio	250
Chris Kopec	202	Scott Neleber	204
Dan Avery	190	Roger Fujimoto	198
Steve Park	178	Herb Carlon	168
Doug Meservey	128	Al Leone	148
Brian Schofield	122	Roy Houle	134
Bob Gegetskas	106	Joe Arena	130
Ed Spiers	102	Todd Owen	128
Bruce D'Alessandro	100	Vinny Buonocore	122
Brian Miller	100	Bruce Battles	122
Tom Jensen	96	Ken Marques	110
Richard Savary	84	Jay Miller	106
Tom Cravenho	82	P.J. Pelc	102
Marty Radewick	80	Joe Kokoszka	88
PRO STOCKS			
John Lobo	184		
Dave Caruso	184		•
Tom Carey	160	NAPA Championship Ser	ies
Tom Fearn	148	(After 2 Events)	
Eddy Carroll	144	(Mittel 2 Livelius)	
Bill Lauridsen	124	MODIFIEDS	
Lou Prior	106	Reggie Ruggiero	48
Barry Gray	100	Chris Kopec	48
Ed Carroll	96	Steve Park	36
Scott Bouley	82	Dan Avery	28
Jeff Horn	80	Brian Schofield	28
Rick Turcotte	78	Dilaii Scholleid	
Dave Berube	76	PRO STOCKS	
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Gee Perry	226	Eddy Carroll	20
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Gary Fioramanti	200		52
Ted Chalmers	168	Gee Perry	46
Fred LaForge	162	Gary Fioramanti	38
Marty Leary	158	Ted Chalmers	34
Glenn Griswold	130	Fred LaForge	26
Joe Czarnecki	86	Chuck Docherty	20
Rocco Mazziotto	84	CTDIOTI V CTOOVE	
Gene McClain	82	STRICTLY STOCKS	42
Mike Bushior	74	Rob Valerio	42
Rick Hartenstein	72	Chuck Allessio	
Steve Fifield	70	Roger Fujimoto	36
Wayne Coury	62	Joe Kokoszka	34

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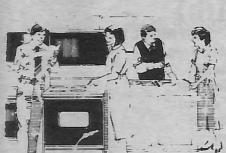
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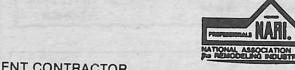
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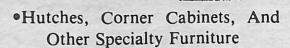
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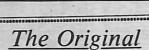
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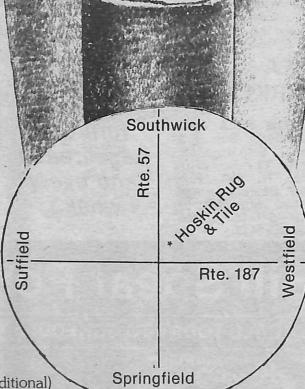
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